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ROOSEVELT PRAISE FOR HIS SUCCESSOR

Reports of Friction Dispelled by President's Contribution to Official Souvenir

WRITES BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

President Prepares History for Inaugural Souvenir—Taft Spends Day in Literary Work—But One Cabinet Position, Head of Treasury Department, to Be Filled.

Washington, Feb. 24.—A remarkable feature of the "inaugural souvenir" issued by the committee in charge of the inaugural ceremonies, is the biographical sketch of President-Elect Taft by President Roosevelt. It has a peculiar significance, in view of rumors published to the effect that friction existed between Roosevelt and Taft. The keynote of the president's sketch may be found in these words: "No man of better training, no man of more dauntless courage, of common sense and higher character, has ever come to the presidency than William Howard Taft. The president, in concise terms, preceded this statement with the history of the president-elect, touching simply upon the public achievements of the man.

Taft in Literary Pursuits.
New York, Feb. 24.—With one important feature of the Taft cabinet held in abeyance, the selection of secretary of the treasury, President-Elect Taft today took advantage of his coveted opportunity to catch up with his correspondence and prepare a portion of one of the magazine articles he has contracted to write. The inaugural address of Taft received its final revision today. The document is, according to custom, a declaration of the policies which the new administration will endeavor to carry out. The address contains approximately 8,000 words and will occupy Taft a little short of one hour in its delivery. It is pronounced a strong state paper by those to whom Taft has submitted it.

MACVEAGH FOR TREASURY?

Chicago Friends of Banker Think He Will Enter Taft Cabinet.

Chicago, Feb. 24.—That Franklin MacVeagh, of Chicago, will be secretary of the treasury in the Taft cabinet, is believed by MacVeagh's closest business associates. The fact that he broke his custom of years in not attending the last meeting of the board of directors of the Commercial National Bank of which he is chairman, is regarded as a practically conclusive evidence of his acceptance.

HAS NEW POSTAL BANK BILL.

Carter Presents Substitute in Senate and Opposes Savings Campaign.

Washington, Feb. 24.—Senator Carter presented a substitute for the original postal savings bank bill. The substitute creates a board of five trustees, which is to exercise entire supervision over the postal savings bank system. This board is to consist of the postmaster general, the attorney general, the secretary of the treasury and two civilians to be appointed by the president and confirmed by the senate. The board of trustees is empowered to determine in what banks shall be deposited the funds entrusted to the postal banks, and will have the discretion of selecting either national or state banks or both. The new bill makes no change in the interest rates.
Senator Cummins at once objected to consideration of the substitute until certain amendments he had offered to the original bill had been acted upon. The provision which makes it possible to withdraw for certain purposes deposits of the savings funds in the treasury of the United States was criticized. Senator Cummins said it would be viewed by the people of the west as "simply another method of collecting money so that it will find its way into the money centers and incapacitate it to render the function to our people which it was intended to render."

REGARDING LAKE CRIMES.

House Passes Bill Giving Three States Power to Determine Jurisdiction.

Washington, Feb. 24.—A bill passed by the house today, enabling the states of Indiana, Michigan and Michigan to determine jurisdiction over crimes committed on Lake Michigan.

End of Brownsville Row.

Washington, Feb. 24.—The Aldrich bill providing means for the re-enlistment of negro soldiers who were discharged without honor on account of participating in the Brownsville affray was passed by the senate late yesterday afternoon.

Bill Passing Indiana Senate, Now Goes to the Governor.

Indianapolis, Feb. 24.—A bill legalizing the playing of baseball on Sunday, passed the senate today. It now goes to the governor.

Merges of Linotype Companies.

New York, Feb. 24.—The stockholders of the Mergenthaler Linotype Company yesterday decided to purchase a controlling interest in the British Linotype and Machine, Limited, and the Mergenthaler Setz-Machinon-Fabrik of Germany.
The bill is a compromise measure approved by President Roosevelt. Senator Foraker and all of the republican members of the committee on military affairs. The court of inquiry will act

MUSIC HATH CHARMS.

School Superintendents Hold Value of Music on Human Effort.

Chicago, Feb. 24.—In an address on "The Moral Influence of Music" before the department of superintendence of the National Educational Association, this afternoon, William L. Tomlins, who will be remembered as a director of the World's Columbian Exposition, made some novel observations in regard to the power of music in furthering the betterment of mankind. The speaker said that the power of music, as an uplifting force in life, was as tangible as electricity and might be utilized as electricity is at present.

He said in part: "Real music does not give us an ignoble expression. Music vitalizes as nothing else can. Under the influence of music the carotid arteries are refreshed and strengthened, the hearts are stirred, and all feel themselves moved as by one master hand of brotherhood. This power of music can be utilized for the betterment of mankind. Every school in the land should be filled with song. Groceries, too, may get out of music a something that will give them strength to fight the battle of life. The whole nation can be benefited by the power of song. And this power can be utilized as electricity is at present, which at one time was considered just as intangible a thing as music is by most people now. As in electricity, so in music. We have not learned half its uses. Music comes in a flash. Those who hear it are lifted up by its power. A few take the strength and joy which it gives them and use it for good. It is from these few that we can get an inkling of the power which is in music."

Mr. Tomlins said a good deal depended on the attitude of the listener as to the benefits he derived from music.

"A 5 o'clock tea attitude is not particularly helpful for getting the best out of music," the speaker continued. "Neither can the selfish or the idle find its uplift. Music lifts up as water does—you have got to get to the swimming. If drawing-rooms fail to prove the inspiration that a beautiful voice can give, let that voice be heard by the helpless, in jails and in hospitals; then we shall know."

IS COOPER A THIEF?

State Attempts to Show That Defendant in Murder Trial Was Embezzler to Extent of Over \$100,000.

Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 24.—Col. Duncan B. Cooper finished his direct testimony in the Carmack murder trial this morning and the cross examination was begun. The colonel denied he had fired a shot at the time of the killing of Carmack, and did not draw his pistol until after his son Robin was shot. "Then I drew my gun," he said, "but saw Carmack was down and Robin shot, so I put my revolver back in my pocket." He said he had no purpose in shooting or killing Carmack but had approached the latter merely to have a talk with him to see if the affair which was annoying his friends and family could be stopped.
Shortly after the cross examination was begun the attorneys became involved in a heated argument over putting in evidence by the state of some old bonds. Finally the jury retired. Captain Fitzhugh said that thru the testimony it was proposed to show that Cooper was a defaulter and embezzler to the extent of over \$100,000 to prove to the jury just how much credit they should place on Cooper's testimony.

MRS. BOOTH UNDER KNIFE.

Has Successful Operation for Appendicitis, at New York.

New York, Feb. 24.—Mrs. Maud Ballington Booth, of the Volunteers of America, underwent a surgical operation today, for appendicitis. According to the surgeons, the operation was entirely successful.

TRAIN OVER A CLIFF

Terrible Disaster in Ecuador Results in Death of Twenty-five and Injury of Forty—Train Falls 100 Feet.

Guayaquil, Ecuador, Feb. 24.—A Passenger train today was thrown over a cliff 100 feet high near Rio Bamba. Twenty-five persons were killed and forty wounded. The accident was caused by a displaced rail.

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WIND AND FLOODS DEVASTATE SOUTH

Tornado Sweeps Four Counties in Arkansas, Leaving Death and Ruin in Wake

FATALITIES AT SEVERAL POINTS

Meager Details Bring Reports of Thirteen Deaths and Many People Injured—Flood in Kentucky Causes Immense Property Loss and Several Towns are Menaced.

Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 24.—That the storm of wind and rain which prevailed in eastern Arkansas, northern Mississippi and western Tennessee was most severe is confirmed by advices received today. In the counties of Lonoke, Woodruff, Prairie and Polkett, in Arkansas, a fierce storm, which apparently originated in the first named county, was felt. The town of Fisher, in Polkett county, was practically destroyed, while six persons were killed, a number of others sustained injuries. Near Augusta the dead number six, and others were injured. In Lonoke one child was killed. Telegraph and telephone wires thru the storm-swept sections were snapped and the full extent of the storm damage is not yet known.

KENTUCKY MENACED BY FLOOD.

Much Damage Done and Several Towns are Under Water.

Louisville, Feb. 24.—The rain which raged during the past twenty-four hours over nearly all of Kentucky, portions of Indiana and Tennessee, has done thousands of dollars of damage in Louisville alone, caused the death of over 500 cattle, Negro river and creek through the deluged territory is back while six persons were killed. Railroad communication on the roads running west and north is interrupted. Taylorville, on the Salt river, thirty miles from Louisville, was water bound, the flood being seven feet deep in places. There is a serious shortage of food, and no trains can be gotten within three miles of the place. Many families are reported in peril. Fifty persons are on the roof of the school house. They are not thought to be in any imminent danger.

FLOODS IN OHIO.

Cincinnati, Feb. 24.—As the result of heavy rains yesterday and today the waters of Indian streams throughout the state are rising rapidly, threatening serious damage thru floods. Already several lives are reported lost thru drowning. The railroads are badly handicapped by washouts. The loss to farmers will be heavy thru damage to crops.

SACKNETT GIVES TESTIMONY.

Witness Was One of Senator Stephens' Managers During Campaign.

Madison, Wis., Feb. 24.—Robney Sacknett, one of Senator Stephens' managers during the senatorial campaign, appeared before the legislative investigation committee today, and told of the manner of keeping account of campaign disbursements, the expenditures, he said, were kept on cards and afterwards compiled into account form. The cards are no longer in his possession. He received help from State Chairman Edmonds and Banker Puelcher, but none from Stephens or the latter's attorneys. His testimony with regard to getting money, was largely a repetition of the story told by Puelcher last week.

STOCK MARKET IRREGULAR.

Prices Show Further Losses as Well as Some Substantial Recovery.

New York, Feb. 24.—Extreme irregularity marked the opening dealings of the stock market today. Price changes showed further losses, as well as some substantial recovery from yesterday's demoralization in steel issues, with occasional gain for both. Reading, Baltimore & Ohio, St. Paul and Illinois Central gained one to two points. Northern Pacific and Canadian Pacific declined two points or more, Missouri Pacific 1 1/2, and Harriman stocks were also heavy.
The stock market went thru a stormy forenoon, then settled down into a waiting attitude, and in an unsettled speculative sentiment. There was a manifest continuance of liquidation in some quarters, and heavy buying in others. Reading was notably strong in the rebound from the panicky break of yesterday.
The market closed slightly irregular. Repeated restlessness was shown to declines by the market, which caused general covering by shorts, and prices rose to the top level of the day, in the final hour.

PHILLIPS RENOMINATED.

Opposition to Ottumwa Mayor Fails to Down Him at Primaries.

Ottumwa, Feb. 24.—A bitter contest was fought at the primary election in the city primaries here, but despite the formidable opposition to his candidacy he was renominated for re-election on the democratic ticket. There were four other candidates for mayor on this ticket. The vote resulting:
Phillips, 658; Barnes, 24; Ruge, 185; Webber, 163; Arrison, 130.
There was but one candidate for

mayor on the republican ticket, D. A. Emery, who received a total of 860.

The contests for office were not confined to the more important city offices, for the first and the fifth ward democrats also had more than one choice for alderman.
The absence of many contests for the offices on the republican ticket yesterday made the first city primary held in Ottumwa none too interesting, as a whole, altho at several of the voting places, considerable activity was shown all day long by the aspirants to ward alderman and committeemen.

EGGS DROP RAPIDLY.

Decline of Eight and a Half Cents in New York City.

New York, Feb. 24.—Eggs in New York dropped in price to 25 1/2 cents a dozen yesterday, as compared with 34 cents a few days ago. The receipt here of 18,651 cases of thirty dozen each, totaling 5,594,360 eggs. Additional heavy receipts are expected. A further decline in prices will follow.

AMES MAN DISAPPEARS

Ernest Tripp Has Been Missing Since Last Thursday Morning—Theory That He May Have Become Suddenly Demented.

Special to Times-Republican.
Nevada, Feb. 24.—The sheriff's office in this city has been notified of the mysterious disappearance of Ernest Tripp, a well known Ames citizen, from his home out at the college. The man left home last Thursday morning about 10 o'clock, saying that he was going down town to pay his electric light bill. That was the last seen of him, and inquiries have failed to locate him. The family had recently moved to Ames from a nearby farm, and had taken charge of a club house out near the campus. No cause for his disappearance can be given. He was a man of no bad habits, had no domestic or financial difficulties, and the only cause that can be advanced for his disappearance, is that he may have become suddenly demented and wandered away.

He is a man about 36 years of age, weighs about 160 pounds, and is of medium height and light complexion, with brown hair and smooth face. When he left home he wore a dark overcoat over an ordinary suit and a cap. His wife and family are at a loss to account for his disappearance, and have placed a description of the man with various police officers.

STANDS BY LAND GRANT

Senate Committee Refuses to Strike Out Statehood Bill Provisions.

Washington, Feb. 24.—By a strict party vote, the senate committee on territories today declined to strike out the New Mexico and Arizona statehood bill provisions, relating to land grants, which are the basis of opposition to the measure. Some democratic senators favor making a motion in the senate to discharge the committee, unless action is taken Saturday to report the measure, either favorably or adversely.

NO SALARY RAISE

House Refuses to Increase Salary of President to \$100,000 Per Year and Rejects Proposal to Raise Speaker's Pay.

Washington, Feb. 24.—The house today rejected the senate provision increasing to \$100,000, the salary of the president, also the provision increasing the speaker's salary.
There were nearly 1,000 passengers on board. The steamer was floated soon after noon.

THIRTY-SIXTH JOINT BALLOT.

Hopkins Gets Sixty-four, and Stringer Forty-four Votes Today.

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 24.—The thirty-sixth joint ballot resulted: Hopkins 64; Posa 37; Stringer 44; Shurtlett 17; Mason 4; Henry Duggan 13; A. J. Sabath 1; Sherman 2; Lowden 1; no choice. Balloting will be resumed tomorrow.

KAISER WILHELM II AGRAND.

Encounters Difficulty During Dense Fog in Gedney Channel.

New York, Feb. 24.—The North German Lloyd steamer Kaiser Wilhelm II, inbound, went around during a dense fog today, in Gedney channel, at the entrance to the lower bay. It is expected that the steamer will be floated at high tide.
There were nearly 1,000 passengers on board. The steamer was floated soon after noon.

President's Family at Funeral.

New York, Feb. 24.—The president, Mrs. Roosevelt, and their daughters, Mrs. Nicholas Longworth and Miss Ethel Roosevelt, were in the city today, to attend the funeral of the president's nephew, Douglas Robinson, the Stewart Douglas. The conclusion of the funeral services, President and Mrs. Roosevelt took the train for Washington.

Sixteenth Ballot: No Choice.

Madison, Wis., Feb. 24.—The sixteenth ballot for senator today resulted in no choice. Stephens received 56 out of 128 votes cast; necessary to elect, 65.

State Foots the Bill.

Madison, Wis., Feb. 24.—The supreme court today denied Senator Lehr's application for an injunction to prevent the secretary of state from auditing and the state treasurer from paying the expenses incurred by the senatorial investigation committee.

Advance in Refined Sugar.

New York, Feb. 24.—All grades of refined sugar were advanced ten cents a hundred today.

IOWA LEGISLATURE TO REST ONE WEEK

Both Houses Agree to Adjourn Thursday Until Wednesday of Week Following

NORMAL'S NAME TO BE CHANGED

Senate Reconsiders Its Previous Action and Passes Bill Changing Name to Normal College—House Spends Forenoon Trying to Define Hog Tight Fence.

Special to Times-Republican.

Des Moines, Feb. 24.—Governor Carroll has appointed W. H. Berry, of Indianapolis, to succeed himself on the state parole board, and today sent the appointment to the senate, where it was confirmed.

The senate this morning reconsidered the vote on the change of name of the Iowa State Normal School and then amended the bill so that the name will be the Iowa State Normal School, and in this form the bill was passed. The senate also passed the Allen bill, which is virtually a demurrage bill in that it amends the law as to railroads furnishing cars, leaving no options or excuses on the part of the railroad company for failure to furnish cars. In this form the bill was passed unanimously.

Both houses agreed to adjournment tomorrow until the Wednesday following. The senate spent most of the day on the optometry bill. The doctors sought to have the bill sent back to their committee, but the senate refused by a vote of 13 to 24, after which the bill was made a special order for tomorrow.

The house took the entire morning on the bill to define a hog-tight fence, and finally passed the bill with an amendment which makes it apply only to partition fences.
What is regarded as the beginning of the fight for the adoption of the probitly amendment in Iowa was formally launched in the lower house of the legislature today by the presentation of a favorable report upon the resolution calling for re-submission. The resolution, if adopted, must be submitted to a vote of the people.

There can now be no doubt of the earnestness and activity of those who are demanding that the liquor question shall be placed in the state constitution. Mrs. Edworthy, personally in charge of the work at the legislature, turned over to the members yesterday a trunk full of petitions, which completed about 45,000 names. The work of gathering names is still going on. There will not be a district in the state without show of support for the measure. The amendment proposal was started in the senate and the fight will first come there.

A great many petitions are coming to members on a matter which may be a live issue. These petitions relate to a bill to require the fraternal insurance associations to adopt the fraternal congress rates. This matter was thrashed out two years ago and it was decided that while new companies must establish these rates it can not be done with the old associations. There is no bill of the kind pending in the senate and the one which was in the house is dead.

THE PETERSON LIABILITY BILL WHICH THE senate passed on Tuesday with only eight votes in opposition relates alone to persons engaged in operation of trains and it covers three points: that the doctrine of contributory negligence shall be pleaded as a bar to recovery, that in cases where the railroad company is violating a law contributory negligence shall not be considered at all, and that the doctrine of assumption of risk of the hazard of the employment shall not be considered at all. The effort was made by the railroad companies to get out of the bill the latter part of the same or to change it so that it would be without force.

KEPT WEDDING SECRET.

Popular Young Hampton Couple Were Married Six Months Ago.

Special to Times-Republican.
Hampton, Feb. 24.—Mr. William Leonard Menzie, 27 years of age, and a popular salesman of the Conroy Grocery Company, and Miss Emma Lane Wendt, succeeded in keeping the fact of their wedding secret for six months. The bride is 21 years of age. The couple were married Aug. 10, 1908, at Carroll. The groom is numbered among Hampton's most industrious and worthy young men, and the bride has now as well and favorably known as a young woman of many accomplishments and high ideals. The happy couple will soon commence housekeeping.

RAILROAD COMPANY CLEARED.

Freed From All Responsibility for Wreck Near Grandview.

Special to Times-Republican.
Muscatine, Feb. 24.—The Muscatine North and South Railroad Company was freed from all responsibility of the wreck which occurred near Grandview, Saturday, when one man was killed and many were injured, by the verdict of the coroner's jury. The inquest was held over the remains of Frank Nader, of Davenport, a victim, and the verdict rendered was: "We the jury find that the deceased came to his death by an unaccountable accident on the M. & N. S. Railroad, at Grandview, Feb. 20. A defective wheel flange is supposed to have caused the wreck."

production and Senator Quigley drew attention to it a few weeks ago by his declaration that, should the bill pass, Iowa would become the equal of Russia in the tyranny possible on the part of the governor.

The removal bill is the third of the group of measures introduced by Senator Cosson to bring about the enforcement of the laws relating to the sale of liquor and those relating to houses of ill repute and gambling houses. In many counties there is a disregard of these laws is addressed by local authorities, and their defining the duties of the sheriff and county attorney, which duties must be taken only when the county attorney does not file charges of his own volition. The bill provides further that the case shall be tried without a jury and shall take precedence over other cases on the district court docket.

By a vote of 12 to 6 the house committee on the suppression of intemperance yesterday afternoon voted for the Meredith resolution for re-submission, and it will be reported to the house with a recommendation for its adoption.

But two republicans on the committee voted against the resolution. Harding of Sioux City and Kellogg of Missouri Valley cast their votes with the majority. Mr. Waverly, of Burlington, all democrats. The resolution was carried without discussion and only the slight nervousness of members as they sat about the table in the senate committee room in the top-most corner of the state house betrayed the importance of the question before them.

The fight for re-submission is now on the floor of the house and every member of that body must either go on record or take to the cloak room when the vote is called, which probably will be this week.

Attempts to line up republicans against the resolution on party grounds have failed completely. The argument that democrats would carry the state or at least make serious inroads at the next election if a republican legislature took a step toward re-submission has been used with little success, and each man's vote lies between his conscience and his constituents. The attitude of a majority of the latter is responsible for the opposition of the six who voted against the resolution in the committee, altho their names are also backed by personal conviction.

"MESERVEY FIVE" UP

Trial Which Promises Many Interesting Developments, is Begun at Mason City—Most Prominent Lawyers to Defend Accused Men.

Special to Times-Republican.
Mason City, Feb. 24.—The trial of the "Meservy Five" on a charge of conspiracy against the law, was opened in the district court here yesterday. The court room was crowded with spectators, and most of them were men from Meservy and vicinity. Not a single woman attended the trial on the opening day. Nearly the entire first day was occupied with the task of securing a jury, and it was not until late in the afternoon that the first witness for the state was called. This was J. J. Wilson, who was the auctioneer at the Brown-Gobell sale, when all the trouble began. Wilson was included in the first proceedings brought by the state in the matter, and it was then the "Meservy Six." Later, however, it was learned that one of the men in the plot, and indictments were returned only against the "five." Wilson told of the excitement and trouble in Meservy on the day of the sale.
Realizing at last the seriousness of the charge which confronted them, the defendants have secured the most prominent lawyers in this section of the country for their defense.

JENCKS WILL DO IT.

Lessee of Burned Midland, Says He Will Build New Theater.

Special to Times-Republican.
Fort Dodge, Feb. 24.—Maurice W. Jencks, of Sioux Falls, who held the lease on the Midland theater here, which was destroyed by fire a few weeks ago, has announced publicly that he will have a new theater in Fort Dodge, built on the old site, ready to open by Sept. 1, next. He declares the new theater will be finer, more modern and better in every way. It is now known that his loss by the recent fire, at first estimated at \$600 or \$800, was \$1,800.
Thus far, the Des Moines Life Insurance Company, which owned the former building, has failed to submit a definite statement in regard to rebuilding.

YOUNG MAN DROPS DEAD.

Louis Kratoska, Belle Plaine, Leaves Wife and Two Small Children.

Special to Times-Republican.
Belle Plaine, Feb. 24.—Yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock, Louis Kratoska, foreman of the car repairs at the railway yard, it is supposed he had heart trouble. Mr. Kratoska was a highly respected young man about 23 years of age. He leaves a wife and two small children, and numerous other relatives.
Mrs. Merle Smith, of Marshalltown, was an over-Sunday visitor at the Blue home. The congregation of the M. E. church were highly pleased to hear her sing a solo Sunday morning. Mrs. Smith was formerly Miss Mae Wolf, of this place.

TO BE TROLLEY ROAD.

Steps Taken to Electrify Complete Newton & Northwestern Line.

Fort Dodge, Feb. 24.—Steps for the complete electrification of the Newton & Northwestern line have been taken by the proprietors of the road. The line will be electrified from Fort Dodge Junction to Rockwell City, a distance of twenty-four miles. The work will begin this spring and the \$300,000 necessary to do the work has already been set aside. It is not known when the remainder of the work will be done, but it is generally understood that the entire line is to be electrified.

T.-R. BULLETIN

Noticeable News of Today

The Weather.
Sun rises Feb. 25, at 6:39; sets at 5:49.
Iowa—Fair tonight and Thursday; colder in the east tonight; warmer Thursday.
South Dakota—Fair tonight and Thursday; rising temperature.

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Telegraphic News.

Three More of Bluffs Gang Arrested. Federal Officers Make Important Capture.
Iowa Legislature to Rest a Week. Normal School Name May Be Changed.
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Single Board—Single Purpose. A Definition by Judge Deemer. Ottumwa's Proclamation. Topics and Iowa Opinion. Iowa Newsweek Comment. Outside Point of View.

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City News.
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Markets and General.
July Wheat Advances. Considerable Firmness in Corn. Advances in Cattle. Iowa Newsweek Comment. Knife Out for Oil Profits.

STORY COUNTY PIONEER BURIED

Mrs. Martha R. Tichenour Was Almost 80 Years of Age.

Special to Times-Republican.
Nevada, Feb. 24.—Mrs. Martha R. Tichenour, one of the pioneer women of this part of the county, was buried today, after services held at Summit church, south of this city. The deceased was almost 80 years of age, a native of South Carolina, and had lived on the same farm in Nevada township since 1855. Her husband has been dead since 1876, and she continued to make her home on the same farm with a couple of sons. She is survived by her sons, George, Oliver and Edward, and her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Haug. She was a woman of exceptional character, and was held in the highest esteem by those who knew her.

WERE LIVING HIGH.

The men were arrested in swell apartments at Little Rock, having fitted up a harem of women in an aristocratic section of the city. They were well supplied with money and a sum supposed to have been \$45,000 was hurriedly taken from a safe deposit box a few minutes before their arrest.

One of the most significant and interesting features of the arrest is a statement from Inspector Swanson to the effect that he could have effected the capture of the gang long ago had they not been protected.

J. R. Cochrane, a well known member of Louisiana, who was "worked" on a \$35,000 wrestling match in New Orleans two years ago, identified Maibery and Clark.

CAN'T PUNISH MAIL ORDER MEN

Judge McPherson Says U. S. Court Has No Jurisdiction.

Des Moines, Feb. 24.—Because Sears, Roebuck & Co., of Chicago, the mail order house, is an "unnatural person," a corporation, it can not be punished by the United States court of the southern district of Iowa. Judge McPherson handed down his opinion in the big mail fraud case yesterday morning.