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INSURGENTS WIN ANOTHER VICTORY

SPEAKER CANNON COMPELLED TO ACCEPT CURBING HIS POWERS.

NO BILLS TO BE SMOTHERED BY UNFAVORABLE COMMITTEES

Insurgents Gain Point Contested For During Entire Session - Democrats Charge Unfair Treatment Over Rail Bill - House Cuts Reclamation Appropriation.

Washington, June 17.—The decision of the house rules committee today to report a "reform" rule designed to prevent legislation being smothered in committee makes another fight on the rules in the house at this session improbable. The rule was practically prepared at a meeting of the democratic conference, known as the Clark-Sherley resolution. It is expected to be reported to the house late in today's session.

With as much grace as they could muster in an emergency, the Cannon regulars capitulated to the demand of the insurgents for further curtailment of the speaker's power to throttle legislation in the house of representatives. At a meeting of the rules committee the regulars decided to report to the house with a favorable recommendation of the rule providing for the discharge of any committee from the consideration of any bill buried therein, and for its consideration directly by the house without committee action.

Unless the regulars attempt to slip a joker into the rule, this last great reform of procedure in the house, for which the insurgents have fought through this congress, will be achieved without a revolution on the floor. In fact, the prospect is that the occasion of this latest reformation will be a love feast in which all save possibly the speaker himself will participate.

Uncle Joe will be compelled to approve of the law divesting him of his power to squelch in committee any bill he dislikes. It is not unlikely that the necessity for this action will cause him to pass into a state of violent eruption. Last night it was reported he was perilously near the fusing point.

The insurgents clearly hold the whip hand. They met in another caucus tonight and decided to await the action of the rules committee. With the democrats, they are in a position to achieve the proposed further reform of the rules at any time and they know the regulars must come to their senses. The regulars have executed a flank movement to save their faces by taking up the committee discharge rule proposed by the democrats.

But the rule proposed by the democrats is practically the same as that sought by the insurgents, so that the issue changes to a row, in that score, the fact remains that if the insurgents did not have forty-seven votes in hand the regulars would scorn to treat with the democrats for anti-Cannon rule.

Democrats Charge Unfairness. Washington, June 17.—Asserting that the democratic members of the committee of conference on the railroad bill had not been permitted to participate in the proceedings of the committee, Senator Newlands today took the floor when the railroad bill was taken up in the senate today to express his disapproval of the report. Newlands criticized the commerce court provision, saying that it was sure to supplant the interstate commerce commission in many important functions. He also opposed the long and short haul provision.

For a Department of Labor. Washington, June 17.—The house committee on labor today decided to report favorably the bill creating a department of labor, with a seat in the president's cabinet. The department of labor bill has been endorsed by most of the labor unions, industrial organizations and similar associations of the country. A vigorous effort will be made to get the bill thru the house before adjournment of the present session.

House Ousts Reclamation Bill. Washington, June 17.—The house ways and means committee today acted favorably upon the bill authorizing the issuance of certificates of indebtedness for reclamation work after amending the measure making the amount of the certificates \$20,000,000 instead of \$30,000,000, and limiting the use of the money to the completion of existing projects.

Trade to Secure Statehood Bill. Washington, June 17.—The president today had a conference with Chairman Hamilton of the committee on territories. When Hamilton left the White House it was with the promise that he would do all he could to have the house accept the senate statehood bill without conference. In return for this, the president is said to be in a position to promise that the senate will accept the house postal savings bank bill.

Helping Taft's Expense Bills. Washington, June 17.—The conferees on the sundry civil appropriation bill made a partial report to the senate today. Among the questions settled was that relating to the president's traveling expenses. The appropriation for the fiscal year beginning July 1 next was made available to cover the deficiency in the appropriation for the present year.

To Investigate Lorimer. Washington, June 17.—A meeting of the senate committee on privileges and

elections has been called for tomorrow to consider the bribery charges in connection with the election of Senator Lorimer. It is expected a resolution will be reported providing for an investigation.

THE EMPEROR'S CONDITION.

William's Injured Knee Causing Much Unnecessary Woriment.

Potsdam, June 17.—Emperor William was housed up at the new palace with his troublesome right knee today, but received visitors and transacted official business. Inquirers at the palace were told that the affection of the one tendons at the knee joint, officially stated to have been caused by over-exertion in the saddle, was taking its normal course. By way of minimizing the popular anxiety concerning his majesty's condition, it is pointed out that a dozen or more troopers, in consequence of their participation in yesterday's cavalry manoeuvres at Doberitz, are today suffering from inflamed limbs much the same as is the emperor.

BOMB THROWER AT WARSAW.

Explosion Kills and Maims Several Gendarmes.

Warsaw, Russian Poland, June 17.—A bomb exploded among a squad of gendarmes at Gordzisk station, on the Vienna railroad, near here today. One gendarme was killed outright, and four were mortally wounded and their chief slightly injured. The bomb thrower was arrested.

LINK'S SHARE OF SWAG

Testifies That He Was Not Promised Reward for Voting for Lorimer, But Browne Paid Him \$1,000 in St. Louis - State May Rest Tonight.

Chicago, June 17.—The direct evidence of the state against Lee O'Neil Link, charged with buying legislative votes for Senator Lorimer, may be completed tonight. Representative Beckemeyer, who admitted receiving \$1,000 after voting for Lorimer, finished his testimony today and Representative Link was called to the stand, over the objections of the defense.

Link declared he voted for Lorimer because he liked Lorimer's position on the deep waterway project, and because Lorimer personally asked for his vote. He was promised no reward, but later was given \$1,000, he said by Browne, in the Southern hotel, at St. Louis.

H. J. C. Beckemeyer of Carlyle, member of the Illinois legislature, took the witness stand yesterday afternoon in the trial of Lee O'Neil Link and testified before the jury that he had been paid \$1,000 for his vote for William Lorimer for United States senator. He said Browne paid him the money in \$50 bills in a room of the Southern hotel, to which he came on July 21, 1909, by direction of Browne, to receive "a package."

With this testimony corroborating, so far as it went, the details of the confession of Representative Charles A. White, the Carlyle representative before the Illinois legislature, took the witness stand yesterday afternoon in the trial of Lee O'Neil Link and testified before the jury that he had been paid \$1,000 for his vote for William Lorimer for United States senator. He said Browne paid him the money in \$50 bills in a room of the Southern hotel, to which he came on July 21, 1909, by direction of Browne, to receive "a package."

Moreover, Beckemeyer's story was reinforced by the testimony of Representative George W. Myers of Paris that he had been solicited to vote for Lorimer by Browne, who had said: "There are lots of state jobs to be had and also plenty of the ready necessities."

The cross examination of Beckemeyer by Attorney P. H. O'Donnell was directed mainly toward establishing an uncontroverted point—that there was no explicit contract between Browne and Beckemeyer as to the \$1,000 payment preceding Beckemeyer's vote for Lorimer. The defense contended that such a payment, without an agreement, was merely a "reward" and not a bribe.

Link, under cross examination, said he had been constantly accompanied by the state's attorney detectives; that he received money from the state's attorney and that Wayman sought to write a confession from him and threatened him with the penitentiary, and "held up his family" to him. Link said he was ill when being grilled in the grand jury room.

Miss Mollie Vandever, of east St. Louis, stenographer for Representative White, said that after White's return from Chicago he had an abundance of money and paid her arrears of salary. The state rested its case this afternoon and court adjourned until Monday.

RETURNING THE MONEY

United Wireless Telegraph Company Promoters Making Amends to Cincinnati Investors—Much Stock Sold There.

Cincinnati, June 17.—Many Cincinnatians have had returned to them in the past few days checks and money representing their investments in the United Wireless Telegraph Company, whose officers were arrested by government officers last Wednesday on charges of misusing the mails. It is estimated that \$46,000 worth of stock was sold in this city.

Peace Negotiations Fail.

Lima, Peru, June 17.—It is rumored today that the attempted mediation between Peru and Ecuador had failed, owing to the conditions imposed by Ecuador as a basis for peace negotiations.

Washington, June 17.—Such information as the state department has received from time to time from both Quito and Lima fails to disclose any interruption in working out of the program for mutual disarmament of Peru and Ecuador. On the contrary all reports indicate that each side is loyally living up to the agreement.

BIG FIGHT GOES TO GOLDFIELD, NEV.

PROMOTERS GIVE UP EFFORT TO PULL OFF JEFFRIES-JOHNSON MILL IN CALIFORNIA.

GOVERNOR'S THREAT TO CALL OUT STATE TROOPS HAS EFFECT

Probable that No Change Will Be Made in Date and That Contest Will Be Held July 4—Fighting Game Believed to Be Dead in California—Has Governor With Backbone.

San Francisco, June 17.—Tex Rickard announced today that the Johnson-Jeffries fight will go to Goldfield, Nevada.

Both Governor Gillett and Attorney General Webb declared this morning with more positiveness than before that there will be no fight between Jeffries and Johnson in California. Webb adding that the Kaufman-Langford mill scheduled for Saturday also will be prevented, and if force is necessary to stop it that means will be resorted to.

Rickard announced to the Associated Press, on receipt of a telegram from Morris Sullivan, of Goldfield, Nev., that the Jeffries-Johnson fight would be held there July 4. Sullivan guaranteed \$120,000 to the promoters.

Open to Higher Bid. "Sullivan is an old friend of mine and absolutely dependable," said Rickard. "I have no details, but I know the man. You can announce that a fight will go to Goldfield unless a much better offer should come from some other Nevada city. I think it is hardly possible any other city will raise Goldfield's bid."

Promoter Plot to Defy Troops. Governor Gillett has ordered Adjutant General Lauck to have two companies of militia under arms and ready to stop the Langford-Kaufman fight tomorrow, should an attempt be made to pull it off. Lauck arrived here this morning from Sacramento.

Promoters Still Hoping. The fact that Rickard conferred with attorneys regarding suing the indemnitor and attorney general for damages did not make much of an impression on the followers of boxing here. The rejoinder from Governor Gillett, when apprised of the threat, that if Rickard sued he would have a bigger fight on hands than the one scheduled for Independence day, seemed to show that the state executive intended to stand by his guns.

Fighting Dead in State. As the situation is viewed by those best posted, "the game is up" and prize fighting is dead in California. That this view is shared by the promoters is best evidenced by the fact that work on the arena being built here was stopped. Reports have it that Rickard, thru some underground source, was apprised of what was coming days in advance and that he made all preparations for his fight in Reno, Nev. It is claimed that he has already contracted for all the material necessary and that work in the sage brush town will begin at once.

No Change in Date. So far as looking the fight on the agreed date there will be no hitch. Promoters Rickard and Gleason made the positive announcement last night that the fight would be held on the day originally scheduled, the place only being held in reserve. The promoters because her parents would not allow her to come to town to work, Pauline Duckstein, aged 23, committed suicide by drinking carbolic acid. She was the daughter of a well-to-do farmer residing near Burlington.

Business Houses Close for Funeral. Special to Times-Republican. Newton, June 17.—All the business houses of Newton were closed yesterday afternoon for two hours, during the funeral of Charles McFarland, the oldest merchant of the city. The closing was in accordance with a proclamation issued by the Business Men's Association.

LESS TIME FOR DEFENSE.

Bleached Flour Case Will Probably Require Another Week.

Kansas City, June 17.—The general belief is that the bleached flour case in the United States circuit court here will require at least another week's time. With the government side concluding today the millers say they can furnish all necessary evidence with fewer than half the witnesses placed on the stand by the government. More than two weeks have been required to take the testimony of the government's witnesses.

HYDE HEARING GOES.

No Further Continuance on Motion for New Trial.

Kansas City, June 17.—Prosecuting Attorney Conkling said this morning that he would oppose an effort to secure further continuance of the hearing on the motion for a new trial for Dr. Hyde, convicted recently of the murder of Colonel Thomas S. Swope, which is set for this afternoon. Elliott W. Major, attorney general of Missouri, is here to hear the arguments, but he will take no part in the proceedings.

STOPS TRADING IN "PRIVILEGES."

Chicago Board of Trade Stops to One Form of Gambling.

Chicago, June 17.—Formal notice was served on members of the board of trade by John J. Hill, chairman of the board, that the board is no longer a market shop committee, that trading in

"Indemnities," otherwise known as "privileges," would not be tolerated, and that if necessary the aid of the courts will be invoked to stop the practice, resulted today in a half dozen prominent firms notifying their owners that this form of trading would be abandoned by them. Others are expected to follow this example.

DIVERS' WORK FRUITLESS.

No Trace Yet Found of Charlton's Body in Lake Como. Como, Italy, June 17.—Thruout today divers roamed on the bottom of Lake Como, in the vicinity where the body of Mrs. Charlton was found, but their work was fruitless. They found no trace of her husband.

TRIED TO BEHEAD CHILD

Maniac in Montana Prevented From Offering Own Child as Sacrifice - Fastened Livestock in Stable and Set Fire to Structure. Billings, Mont., June 17.—While suffering from a fit of temporary insanity, John F. Malar, a farmer near this city, after trying his stock in the stable, set fire to the structure and to his house. Officers found the maniac holding one of his children across a block while he was attempting to decapitate the little one. Malar abandoned the child and with a pitchfork held the officers at bay while he hacked at his throat with a butcher knife. He was overpowered and brought to this city, but will die as a result of his self-inflicted wounds.

NEWS TO KNOW.

Hadn't Heard of Probable Nomination For Governor of Pennsylvania. Washington, June 17.—When Secretary Knox's attention was called to the report that he would probably be nominated by the republican convention as governor of Pennsylvania, he said he knew nothing of it and would not discuss the matter.

Ready to Go Home. When the court officials and the prisoner were summoned Dr. Guthrie's attorney asked if he wanted to go home if a right verdict were returned. She replied that she was anxious to start at once and to show the people back home that she was not guilty of the crime alleged.

MANY HEAT PROSTRATIONS.

Becoming More Oppressive in Chicago As Mercury Rises. Chicago, June 17.—Prostrations due to the oppressive heat were numerous thruout the city today. Shortly before noon the weather bureau reported "84 degrees and rising," while at the street level as high as 92 was registered.

CONDITION OF TRADE.

Quiet in Eastern Distributing Points But Excellent in West. New York, June 17.—Dispatches to Dan's Review indicate quiet conditions at distributing points in the east, but in the west the excellent crop prospects encourage good fall commitments.

HEARING ON COAL RATES

Iowa Mine Operators Desire to Keep Out Illinois Coal, While Consumers Object to Discriminating Tariffs Being Put Into Effect. Special to Times-Republican. Des Moines, June 17.—The state railroad commission today gave an extensive hearing to the Iowa coal operators for a readjustment of rates so as to enable Iowa coal men to better control the Iowa trade. The railroads and operators have thus far failed to reach an agreement on a plan for keeping the Illinois coal out of northern Iowa.

Protests were read today from many commercial clubs in Iowa against any increase in the rate from Illinois.

PREFERRED DEATH TO COUNTRY

Burlington Girl Drinks Carbolic Acid When She Couldn't Leave Home. Special to Times-Republican. Burlington, June 17.—Disappointed because her parents would not allow her to come to town to work, Pauline Duckstein, aged 23, committed suicide by drinking carbolic acid. She was the daughter of a well-to-do farmer residing near Burlington.

BOY'S NARROW ESCAPE.

Iowa City Youth Shoots Himself in Face, Barely Missing Eye. Special to Times-Republican. Iowa City, June 17.—Irving Justice, aged 18, was accidentally shot in the face by himself here and narrowly escaped being blinded. The 22-caliber revolver he was handling was of the "didn't-know-it-was-loaded" type, and the bullet plowed along his cheek bone several inches, just missing the left optic when it entered his face. The surgeon in charge probed for it but could not locate the lead and it will remain in his cheek, unless infection ensues.

To Err is Human.

In view of the haste with which the average daily newspaper is built its mistakes should not be taken too seriously. The Fourth Estate says that even the judge on the bench has his decisions set aside by the higher courts, and yet, although his judgment is reversed, he does not suffer in the least in public or professional estimation.

Railroads to Build Viaduct.

Mason City, June 17.—The Great Western and Northwestern railroads have decided to erect a viaduct over their yards here. The viaduct will be 200 feet long and thirty feet high.

Peary Back From Europe.

New York, June 17.—Commander Peary returned from his tour of Europe.

DR. GUTHRIE FREED BY NEWTON JURY

WOMAN ACQUITTED OF CHARGE OF DYNAMITING QUICK RESIDENCE.

VERDICT MEETS APPROVAL OF JASPER COUNTY PEOPLE

Regardless of Strong Evidence of Guilt, Public Sympathies Were With Woman as Against Dr. Hall, Her Former Lover Whom She Was Alleged to Have Attempted to Destroy.

Special to Times-Republican.

Newton, June 17.—Dr. Ida May Guthrie, of Carthage, Ill., indicted on a charge of dynamiting the Quick home near Prairie City, in which her former sweetheart, Dr. Alexander Hall, bride were sleeping, was acquitted by jury today. Dr. Guthrie explained the presence in the neighborhood of the dynamiting by stating that she was seeking a new residence and had heard Hall was removing to Missouri. She left for Carthage today.

The verdict in the case was reported in court at 2 o'clock this morning. The jury was sent out at 11:30 last night and the first ballot was taken at 8 o'clock. This ballot stood nine for acquittal, one for conviction and two were undecided. On the third ballot the two undecided men came over for acquittal, and from then on one man stood out for conviction until 1:30 a. m.

When the court officials and the prisoner were summoned Dr. Guthrie's attorney asked if he wanted to go home if a right verdict were returned. She replied that she was anxious to start at once and to show the people back home that she was not guilty of the crime alleged.

When the verdict was read Miss Guthrie in person thanked the court and jurors, and expressed her appreciation especially of the treatment accorded her by the sheriff.

Verdict Gives Satisfaction.

The verdict of acquittal gives general satisfaction among the people here and at Prairie City. While the sentiment of the public expressed little doubt as to the woman's guilt, opinion is expressed that the charge was not proven. Dr. Hall is severely condemned.

The state made a showing that all the burned cloth and other exhibits found at the scene could be traced to Dr. Hall, and defense claimed that an effort was made to "fix" the evidence. The jurymen after the verdict declared that the patent cigar lighter alleged to have been used in setting off the fuse had never been used and that the jury was of the opinion that Hall and the lighter placed in the jail corridor. Jurymen also declared that the pieces of glove found at the Quick home and in the jail corridor were not from the same pair.

BANKERS TAKE TO WOODS

State Association Holds Session at Hyperian Club in Country—Shaw Decries Proposed Central Bank Plan—Officers Elected.

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Memorial Endowment of \$50,000.

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Best Men Come From High Schools.

New Haven, Conn., June 17.—The annual reports of the Yale corporation, made public today, show that public high schools, while they do not fit men for college so well as the private preparatory schools, supply men who do better work in college.

Glidden Tourists Reach Memphis.

Chicago, Miss., June 17.—Childen tourists reached this city at 9 o'clock this morning. They expect to reach Memphis at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

T-R. BULLETIN Noticeable News of Today

Sun rises June 18 at 4:55, sets at 7:37. The Weather.

Iowa and Illinois—Generally continued warm tonight and Saturday. Missouri—Fair and continued warm tonight, and Saturday; warmer in the west tonight. South Dakota—Generally fair tonight and Saturday; cooler in the west tonight.

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Telegraphic News: Big Flight Goes to Goldfield, Nev. No Change in Date. Dr. Guthrie Acquitted of Dynamiting Roosevelt to be Closely Guarded. Catholic Plot for Church Unity. Insurgents Again Muzzle Cannon. McHugh Heads Bankers.

PAGES TWO AND THREE. Iowa News: Bankers Bring Cheer to Business Men. Money to Be Easier. Freak Found in Oats Fields. Railroads to Plead Poverty. Aged Couple Killed By Fast Train.

PAGE FOUR. Editorial: Scattered Responsibility. Unfair Death Records. Money Getting Easier. Horses and Motor Vehicles. Topics and Iowa Newspaper Opinion.

PAGE FIVE. Iowa News: Cornell's Commencement. Evangelical Association at Radcliffe. PAGES SIX, EIGHT AND NINE. City News: Violent Assault on Defenseless Girl. Edna Deaver Puts Up Plucky Fight. Officers Sourcing Country for Assault.

Mrs. L. James Run Down by Train. Deaths in This County Since July 9. General and Brief City News.

PAGE TEN. Markets and General: Wheat Damage Severe. All Grains Advance. Hogs Slump Badly. Choice Steers Steady.

CATHOLIC PLEADS FOR CHURCH UNITY

ONE FLOCK AND ONE SHEPHERD THE NEED OF CHRISTIAN RELIGION, SAYS BONOMELLI.

LEADER OF ROMAN BISHOP FEATURE OF CONFERENCE

Catholic Dignitary Applauds Work of Mission Movement and Urges Unity Between Christians of All Creeds—Passion and Sectarian Intolerance Deplored.

Edinburgh, Scotland, June 17.—Today's features at the world missionary conference were the reading of a letter from Monsignor Bonomelli, Roman Catholic bishop of Cremona, Italy, and the presentation of the report of the commission on education in relation to the christianization of national life.

Bishop Bonomelli, in his letter, applauds the conference and heartily approves the suggestion of unity of faith and of religious practice. After reviewing the various principles, on which all are agreed, Bonomelli says: "Thus we are united in the profound conviction that a universal religion is necessary, and that this must be the christian religion; not a cold and formal religion, a thing apart from human life, but a living force, pervading the human soul in its essence and its various manifestations, a religion, in short, which completes and crowns our life, and which bears fruit on works of love and holiness. Finally, from the various churches and religious denominations into which our christians are divided, there arises a new unifying element, a noble aspiration, restraining too great impulsiveness, leveling dividing barriers, and working for the realization of the one body church thru all the children of redemption. O ye common ground, gentlemen, having your minds liberated from all passions, or sectarian intolerance, animated on the contrary by christian charity, bring together into one focus the results of your studies, teachings of experience, whether individual or collective, your energy on research, and promote discussion. May truth be as a shining light, illuminating your consciences, and making you all of one heart and one mind. My desire for you is but the echo of Christ's words, which have resounded thru the centuries. Let there be one flock and one shepherd."

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KEENEST DETECTIVES TO ACT AS BODYGUARD

Both Water and Land Parade to be Closely Watched For Suspicious Characters and Possible Plot—Warships to Lead Water Demonstration—Spanish War Veterans in Line.

New York, June 17.—Roosevelt will be guarded during the celebration of his homecoming tomorrow as carefully as if he were still president. The police are taking unusual precautions. From the time Roosevelt leaves the steamer at quarantine, he will be guarded every moment by the keenest detectives on the force, one of the men will always be at his elbow, and others will be distributed among the crowds, watching for the least suspicious move.

Nearly 4,000 policemen will be on duty for the great land parade, while another force in police boats will watch the water parade. In the lineup there will be 2,000 Spanish war veterans in addition to the Roosevelt Rough Riders, bringing the total number of soldiers and police on guard to well over 6,000.

Rear Admiral Leutze, commandant of the Brooklyn navy yard, will command the warships detailed to the naval parade. They will lead the line, followed by the total number of police boats and the fleet of chartered steamboats and the fleet of chartered steamers reserved by the clubs from all over the country, and excursion steamers.

HOTEL LAW SUSTAINED.

Supreme Court Upholds Safety Equipment Statute. Des Moines, June 17.—Iowa's new hotel inspection law in valid and unconstitutional in every detail except one, and that law is not sufficient to warrant the law being declared illegal and ineffective.

So held the supreme court yesterday, thereby reversing Judge McHenry of the Polk district court, who had knocked out the law when it was presented to him in a test case brought by Frederick M. Hubbell against Lafayette Higgins, hotel inspector.

According to the high court, the only section where the Iowa lawmakers erred was in the provision making it a misdemeanor for a hotelkeeper to fail to pay the inspector his fee. This makes it possible to imprison a person for failure to pay a debt, a clearly unconstitutional provision, so the supreme court held.

In attacking the law, attorneys for F. M. Hubbell asserted that the provision in the act defining as a hotel any building of ten rooms or more where transient persons are received or entertained was an unreasonable and arbitrary classification.

The supreme court maintained, however, that such a contention is not correct. A limit had to be placed, as well as in ten rooms as nine or somewhere, said the court, and it may be seven, or more or less.

"COUNT" NATHOO CONVICTED.

Hindu Guilty of Assault With Intent to Commit Rape. Des Moines, June 17.—Refusing three other forms of verdict, a jury in Judge DeGraff's division of the district court last night returned a verdict of assault with intent to commit rape against "Count" C. A. Nathoo, the Hindu, who is charged with the betrayal of 16-year-old Margaret Miller, the daughter of former City Physician James E. Miller. The verdict carries with it a sentence of twenty years in the penitentiary.

After deliberating for eight hours, the jury last night at 7 o'clock returned one of the strangest verdicts ever handed down in the Polk county courts. In the face of the birth of a child to the wronged girl, the jury returned a verdict in which it declares that Nathoo