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Des Moines, Sept. 11.—The biennial report of Attorney General Cosson has just come from the binder. It reviews the work of the past two years and points out that "in addition to acting as advisor and counsel for the several state departments the attention of the department of justice during the last biennial period has been continuously occupied in the matter of trying constitutional questions in the state and federal courts and in the enforcement of law."

Concerning the matter of law enforcement this report says: "The law enforcement is always of very great importance. The supervisors of this state, according to the reports made by the state examiners, are now spending over \$20,000,000 per annum. Notwithstanding this very large sum of money expended we found very lax business methods. We found that the law was violated both in letter and in spirit in several counties of the state. The examination thus far made indicates in the several counties of the state a shortage of \$400,000, a part of which has been returned but a very small portion of which has never been returned to the county treasurer, due to the fact that a number of officers responsible for the shortage are dead, some have left the state, a large number are now out of business and the statute of limitations will bar the collection of a large part of the amount. A number of removal suits have been instituted. In several instances, however, resignations were handed in before any petitions were filed. In each instance the state has been successful in recovering the amount. Since the removal of officers have either been ousted, or resigned to avoid prosecution. This includes mayors, supervisors, sheriffs, marshals and chiefs of police."

The report shows that during the biennial period the constitutionality of the following laws have been submitted to the supreme and federal courts: Workmen's compensation act, the law giving the railroad commissioners supervision of the railway companies, capitol extension act, blue sky law, red light law, teachers' minimum wages, automobile registration law, ice cream standard of the pure food law, vasectomy law.

IOWA AUTO BUSINESS AMAZES.

One-Tenth of All Cars Made Last Year Sold in Iowa.

Des Moines, Sept. 11.—Iowa is the standing wonder of the automobile business, for one car out of every ten made last year was sold there—50,000 cars.

This is the statement of James H. Collins, a magazine writer of such rank that he secured its publication in the issue for Sept. 11, of the Saturday Evening Post. It occurs in the course of an exhaustive magazine article on the automobile business.

A year ago it was generally known among auto men that one big auto manufacturer marketed one-tenth of its output in Iowa. This was thought to be wonderful. Mr. Collins' statement, however, will prove surprising even to Iowans.

The leading states behind Iowa named by Mr. Collins, in the matter of automobiles per capita, are California, the Dakotas, Minnesota, Washington, Oregon and Kansas.

Something of Mr. Collins' idea of the reason why Iowa is the most automobile purchasing state is to be discovered in this conclusion by him:

"When auto sales are followed up, to see who really buys the cars and what is done with them, one soon discovers that the typical buyer is not a millionaire, not a bank cashier mortgaging his home to speed to bankruptcy, nor any figure of American life commonly thought of in connection with the automobile. The typical buyer is a farmer, and his purchase of a buzz wagon represents the most serious financial operation he has undertaken since he bought his farm; and he is making the investment because better transportation is vitally necessary to his business and his family."

In a subhead over the Iowa section of the Post story it is declared that "Iowa is the Paradise of Auto Salesmen."

Grinnell and Vicinity. Special to Times-Republican. Grinnell, Sept. 11.—Reports from Guy W. Sears, now in the city hospital after an operation for relief from appendicitis, are to the effect that he is making a good recovery.

Word comes thru Dr. E. B. Wiley of this city, that Charles Ford, of the Mayo hospital at Rochester, Minn., has had an X-ray examination which shows a bad ulcer of the stomach and an operation will be performed as soon as his vitality is somewhat strengthened.

T. G. Flamm, 1893 Fifth avenue, went to the city hospital on Tuesday of this week and passed thru an operation for relief from hernia. He is reported as recovering in good shape.

Mrs. Bridget Monahan, aged 59 years, died on Thursday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mary Ditzler, in this city, after an illness of several months from a succession of paralytic attacks. Funeral services were conducted today at the Catholic church, Rev. M. J. Hannon, resident priest, officiating. Interment was made in Hanswood.

Willy Martin was thrown from the back of his pony on Thursday and the animal stepped upon him. It was thought at first that he might be badly injured but the attending physician pronounced him all right after he was removed from the scene of the fall and the weight of the pony. The pony became frightened at one of the huge ditching machines and sprang aside so quickly the boy could not retain his seat. The lad is the young son of Mr.

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The way to do it is to provide the funds for the purchase by the state, conjointly with the Aero Club of America, of an aeroplane for military use and organization of an aero department of the Iowa National Guard. The aero club will pay half the expense of a flyer. The state has set apart no funds for such purchase. It would be a great stroke to provide the rest by private appropriation or contribution.

Probably a fund of four or five thousand dollars would be all sufficient. If some one would start it off, funds would be contributed quickly to start the flying squad. Why not?

The demonstrations made by Art Smith, at the state fair, have opened the eyes of a lot of people as to the possibilities of air navigation. A very high degree of safety has been attained in America, where the most important inventions regarding aeroplanes were developed there has been no follow up, largely because the subject has not been taken up by the war department. There is a real need now that in some way a big follow-up be made.

Iowa might easily get into the front rank by a prompt step forward. When Art Smith tried to make his machine turn a handspinning on the hillside, at the fair, he was able to send it around quickly. No so a year or two ago. But the European war has encouraged new American factories and made old ones grow rapidly. The American factories could today turn out upwards of 100 finished aeroplanes a week, or 3,000 a year; but they could not have made a hundred in a year before the war. Orders aggregating over eight million dollars have been placed in American factories by foreign governments. There are four factories in operation. A big aeroplane motor plant has been established. All the flyers made are biplanes, after the Wright pattern. The Curtiss firm is working in the United States and in Canada, but makes all the motors on the American side of the river. A biplane is being built at Toronto for the British government, that will have two engines of 160 horse power each and a spread of wings of nearly 100 feet. Two machines are being made at Buffalo for the Russian navy. A year ago the United States war department could not find a motor in Aerica of 100 horse power; now the department has an order for two machines to be made at Ithaca each with 140 horse power engines, and the factory is turning them out in large numbers to be sent to Europe. Six hydro-aeroplanes are being made at Los Angeles for use in Java, and orders are in hand for thirty-five machines for the allies. All of which shows how the American aeroplane industry has grown by reason of the war. But Americans have not waked up to the usefulness of the air craft as a war adjunct.

The dispatches in the papers have not done full justice to the part being played in the war by the aeroplanes. The other day, there was a dispatch that the repeated defeats and retreats of the Russian army in the north were due largely to the failure to provide aeroplane scouts. A French report made recently gave a record of the destruction of German aeroplanes by French scouts of the air for the first four months of the war, and this showed to the credit of the French destruction of sixty-seven machines with 131 airmen of the enemy. The air fighting has continued ever since. A great change has been made in the French and German specifications. The monoplanes have all been discarded and the Wright type of biplane adopted. The speed scouts are driven at the rate of 100 miles an hour. The fighting craft, or "pushers," carry rapid fire guns or field pieces. The French have put out a machine with a 200 horse power engine, to go eighty-five miles an hour, to carry four men besides the pilot, and with a six-pounder cannon throwing a high explosive shell. The "bombers" carry bombs, the smaller ones of twenty-two pounds each, and others of ninety-two pounds each. Some of the bombs carried weigh 220 pounds each. France started off with 748 aeroplanes at the beginning of the war and Germany over 700. Neither nation probably now has more than that number; but they are building them rapidly. Many were discarded and others destroyed. But it is significant that all the fighting peoples have come to adopt the American pattern for air craft. The aeroplane is no longer an experiment as an army adjunct. The Iowa National guard ought to be the first state organization to demonstrate how the machines can be utilized. And Iowa has, at Grinnell, a factory for making air craft.

A Des Moines financial institution is making a feature in an advertisement of the statement that the late J. P. Morgan left in his will only two outright gifts and all the rest in trust for the benefit of his heirs, with suggestion that this is the right way for all rich people to do. The ad has provoked some adverse criticism. It is a suggestion that big estates should be broken up, or not be permitted to get into such shape that they may be broken up. Iowa's richest man, the idol of Des Moines, long ago trusted his entire estate and is engaged in assisting in administering it himself, so that it will be held intact for many years, or perhaps perpetually. The criticism is that if that plan is followed by all, there will soon be created class distinctions based on wealth, and families will become inordinately wealthy at the expense of the many not in the inner circle. The legislature of Iowa, however, has incorporated this plan by providing that banks may become trustees of funds and thus insure perpetual trusteeship.

Referring to the financial institutions of Iowa is a reminder that the federal government makes a serious attempt to secure from the private banks of Iowa each year some statement of their business done, but makes a poor out of it. The state has threatened to try it but has not done so. The largest number of private banks that reported to the comptroller of the currency any one recent year was 139 but some years less than ninety, yet there are probably 300 private banks. One year they reported twenty-four million dollars deposits, the next year less than ten million. The character of the report shows plainly that the comptroller does not get any reliable statistics as to the operations of the private banks. Apparently their number has not increased in many years but those reporting indicate a big

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