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GREASER GANG IN ATTACK ON U. S. SOLDIERS

Band of Seventy-Five Bandits Give Battle to Fifteen Troopers.

HELD AT BAY TILL AID COMES

Three Killed and Eight Wounded in Border Raid Believed to Have Been Headed by De la Rosa, Leader of Recent Raid on United States Train—Troopers Saved From Extermination by Arrival of Reinforcements.

San Antonio, Tex., Oct. 21.—Three United States soldiers were killed and eight others wounded in an engagement with Mexican bandits near Ojo del Agua, about 2 o'clock this morning. The troops guarding the place, which is located near Mission, Tex., and about sixty miles north of Brownsville, were attacked by a large band. Details of the fight are lacking but in a preliminary report from Capt. Frank R. McCoy, received at department headquarters at 3:05 this morning, the information was given that five dead Mexicans had been found in the dark after the attacking party had been driven off.

Troops Reinforced.
Captain McCoy arrived with relieving troops and the bandits fell back in the brush between Ojo del Agua and the Rio Grande. Additional troops were rushed to the scene from nearby patrol stations and the bandits fled. The killed and wounded were all members of troop G, Third cavalry.

Sergeant Shaffer, troop G, Third cavalry.
Privates Joye and McConnell, Company D, signal corps.
Eight Troopers Wounded.
The list of wounded includes Privates Downer, Bear, Langlands and Kibbe, troop G, Third cavalry, and First Sergeant Smith and Corporal Cansler, Company D, signal corps.

DE LA ROSA BELIEVED LEADER

Bandits Believed to Be Part of Band Which Wrecked Train.
Brownsville, Tex., Oct. 21.—About seventy-five Mexicans at 2 o'clock this morning attacked a United States train at Ojo de Agua, a small Mexican settlement on the American side of the river. Three soldiers were killed and eight wounded, and at least five Mexican were killed in the forty minute battle which followed.

Victory Gives Alarm

A picket reported the presence of the bandits in time to give the troops a chance to take positions. The fifteen United States soldiers, fighting five against one, held their ground, although the bandits were out of commission, until relief came from Mission, seven miles away.

Carranza Is Warned.
The Carranza consul here, Jose Garza, went to Matamoros today to place before Gen. Eugenio Lopez, the Carranza commander there, such reports as were available. American authorities here impressed upon Mr. Garza the fact that they viewed the situation in a very serious light.

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German Authorities Execute British Girl; English Aroused

London, Oct. 21.—The circumstances connected with the execution by German authorities at Brussels, Miss Edith Cavell, a British nurse, occupy constantly increasing attention in London. The forthcoming publication of the report of Brand Whitlock, American minister in Belgium, on his efforts in Miss Cavell's behalf, is awaited with great interest.

The Mail says the report is a long one, and adds:
"This account will strike a note of horror throughout the world. It will tell of the wonderful heroism of a woman who had nursed German wounded. It will tell of the greatest fight for a woman's life that was every fought of unavailing effort of nobles and neutrals to combat the callous, secret cunning of the German."

DUMBA AT THE HAGUE

Austrian Diplomat, Recalled From Washington Post, Nearing Home.
London, Oct. 21.—The arrival at The Hague of Dr. Constantin T. Dumba, lately recalled as Austrian ambassador to the United States, is reported in a dispatch from the correspondent there of Reuter's Telegram Company. Dr. Dumba was escorted by the Austrian minister, who met him at Rotterdam.

Dr. Dumba declined to see reporters but intimated that he might make a statement tomorrow.

SKINNER TO MAKE REPORT

American Consul General to London to Visit Washington.
London, Oct. 21.—Robert P. Skinner, American consul general at London, departed this morning for Falmouth, whence he was to sail this afternoon for New York on the steamship Rotterdam.

Mr. Skinner will go to Washington to report on trade conditions, with particular reference to war regulations on American commerce.

HEAD OF WHISKEY CROOKS SENTENCED

L. Casper to Serve Nine Years in Federal Prison and Pay Fine of \$33,000.—Other Conspirators Receive Lighter Sentences.
Fort Smith, Kan., Oct. 21.—L. Casper, of Kansas City, alleged head of the moonshine whiskey conspiracy, was today sentenced to nine years and three days in the Leavenworth penitentiary, and ordered to pay a fine of \$33,000.

In addition to Casper the following were sentenced:
J. Henry Brown, Harrison, Ark., government gauger, two years in the penitentiary and fined \$1,000; S. L. Williams, Winston Salem, M. C., former government revenue agent, and Charles Brubaker, Kansas City, and George Hartman, Kansas City, one year and one day in the penitentiary and fined \$1,000 each; John Farabee, Kansas City, and John Coffey, Fort Smith, six months in jail and fined \$1,000 each.

ARREST DEAD GIRL'S KIN

Sensation Caused by Latest Development in Christy Murder Case.
Paris, Oct. 21.—As a result of police investigation into the mysterious death last August of Marie Christy, a young girl belonging to one of the wealthiest families of Clermont-Ferrand, Jean Christy, her brother, and Madame Margaret Christy, were arrested last night. Because of the prominence of the family the latest developments in the case have caused a sensation and the newspapers for the first time since the war are devoting columns to a story of this kind.

Elect Smuts to Parliament.
Cape Town, via London, Oct. 21.—Gen. Jan C. Smuts, minister of the interior, mines and defense of the Union of South Africa, has been re-elected to parliament by the Pretoria constituency over the national risk and labor candidate.

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TRY TO FORCE GREECE IN WAR

Allied Diplomats Bringing Pressure on Athens Government.

PRESENT ATTITUDE FAVORS TEUTONS

Greek Government Considering British Offer to Cede Island of Cyprus as Inducement to Align Nation With Entente Powers—Serbia Feeling Power of Bulgarian Invaders—German Attack on French Lines Repulsed.

London, Oct. 21.—The entente powers are bringing all possible pressure to bear on Greece in order to elicit an unequivocal definition of her policy toward the other Balkan states and the European belligerents. They have intimated clearly that on account of this geographical position of Greece and her treaty obligations to Serbia, her announced policy will be difficult if not impossible to maintain.

The Greek government is now considering the British offer of the island of Cyprus, which, according to an Athens message, Britain will cede immediately on condition that Greece join the allies.

Justifies Allies Action.
The Russian foreign minister, M. Sazanoff, has issued a statement that he considers the allies in adopting any measures to prevent their enemies from taking advantage of the neutral position of a third power. The fleet of the allies already has established a close blockade of the Aegean coast of Bulgaria.

It has not been established whether the Bulgarians have occupied Vrania, on the Nish-Saloniki railroad, concerning which there are conflicting reports. It is a fact, however, that communications between Nish and Uskup have been interrupted and the Bulgarians have advanced far enough to interrupt traffic.

Pressure From Bulgarians.
The Russian press reports that Serbia is now coming from the Bulgarian side. Recent dispatches reveal no important advances by Field Marshal Von Mackensen's German and Austrian forces.

The two outstanding features on the Russian front are the continued offensives of the Russians south of Pripiet and the new German offensive south of Riga. In the latter district the Germans are making a determined effort to force the Dvina river, in a country presenting many difficulties to the invaders.

In the southern area Russian successes have modified the situation radically and the Austro-German line from Pinsk to Lemberg is no longer held securely.

Except for further details of the unsuccessful German attack on British positions near Hulluch, and on the French front near Rheims, there is no news of importance from the western front.

GERMAN ATTACK FAILS

Paris Says Kaiser's Troops Were Stopped by Machine Guns.
Paris, Oct. 21.—Following their futile bombardment last evening of the Serbian army, the Germans renewed their attacks in this region, according to an announcement made this afternoon by the French war office.

In spite of a violent preparatory artillery fire, they were again checked and cut down by the French artillery and machine guns. They did not succeed in winning a single position in the French first-line trenches.

An official statement issued yesterday at Nish, as forwarded by the Havas News Agency, says that the Serbian army is now menaced seriously. The Serbian war office says the railroad line to Saloniki has been cut in two places.

The diplomatic corps at Nish, Serbia, after preparing to quit that city, postponed their departure, communications having been cut with Saloniki, according to a dispatch from Athens. Connections with Monistat has been suspended as a result of floods and occupation of Vrania has stopped communication between Uskup and Nish. Telegraphic communication with Nish has been interrupted for four days, it is stated.

Russ Capture German Positions.
Petrograd, via London, Oct. 21.—An important Russian success in the region of Baranovich, resulting in the capture of several German positions, 3,562 men, and ten machine guns, and one piece of artillery, was announced today by the war office.

Teuton Advance Slow.
Berlin, via London, Oct. 21.—The Austro-German army of invasion in Serbia is pushing back the Serbians over the entire front, although the Teutonic advance is slow. The war office stated today that the Serbians had been driven out of the strongly fortified positions of Rittipand. The Bulgarians also have made a further advance.

The German advance on Riga, for possession of which a great battle has been under way for several weeks, has been carried forward farther. The war office reported today that Field Marshal Von Hindenberg's army has occupied the bank of the Dvina river northeast of Mitau, from Borkovits to Berneburg.

Russian reports of successes on the

Gold Bullion to Pay War Bills Swamps U. S. Assay Office

New York, Oct. 21.—So great has been the tide of gold that has poured into New York to pay war bills that the task of melting it up to be turned into United States coin has almost overwhelmed the employees of the United States assay office here. They are working longer than they ever did before, but the piles of coin in bullion grow instead of diminish.

About \$100,000,000 in gold passes thru the office in a year. Since July 1, the office has received and melted more than \$32,000,000 worth, and nearly \$38,000,000 of this was received within the last ten days. Nearly a year's work has been done in less than four months.

The gold arrives generally in the form of bullion, English sovereigns, French Napoleons and Japanese yen.

central and southern end of the line received partial confirmation in today's German statement. German forces on the Styre were compelled to retreat, losing a few cannon.

King Albert Rejects Peace Plan.
Rome, via Paris, Oct. 21.—Pope Benedict has just received from King Albert of Belgium a reply to an autograph letter from the pope, urging the king to initiate steps looking to the conclusion of peace. King Albert replied in the negative.

The king thanked Pope Benedict for his promise to use his influence with Germany to bring about the evacuation of Belgian territory in the event of peace.

King Albert declared he would never lay down his sword while the country "was in slavery."

Pope Benedict is said to be greatly disappointed.

FORTY HURT WHEN BOAT STRIKES PIER

Passengers on Ferry Packet Hurled Under Horse Hoofs When Craft Crashes into Dock—Accident Occurs During Heavy Fog.
New York, Oct. 21.—Forty men and women were injured today when the Lackawanna ferry boat Netherland crashed into the Barrow street pier during a fog and hurled a number of passengers under the hoofs of a dozen horses which were on the boat. Six of the injured were rushed to hospitals.

The crash occurred during what baymen described as the worst fog of the year which settled down during the night, seriously interfering with harbor and river traffic. Ten steamships, including the Orduna, from Liverpool, were held up for several hours.

MELLEN CONTINUES STORY

Testimony Regarding Formation of Alleged Monopoly Is Permitted.
New York, Oct. 21.—Under the ruling of Judge Hunt, that the government prosecutors in the conspiracy case against ten former directors and former counsel of the New Haven railroad are at liberty to trace the beginnings of the alleged conspiracy to monopolize traffic in New England, Charles F. Mellen, former president of the road, was prepared today to continue his testimony.

Mr. Mellen yesterday described conditions in 1892, when the Sherman law was passed. Having laid the foundation for his story of the New Haven combination, Mr. Mellen was expected to go on with a description of consolidation movements from 1892 to 1907, when he was vice president of the road.

Counsel for the defense announced today that they expected that the government would call former President Taft as a witness in connection with a conference between Mr. Taft and Lewis Cass Ledyard in regard to the taking over of Boston & Maine stock by the New Haven.

R. L. Batts, attorney for the government, said that the government would "if possible" avoid calling the former president.

JOSEPH SMITH'S WIDOW DEAD

Former President of Latter Day Saints' Colony in Iowa Passes Away.
Kansas City, Oct. 21.—Mrs. Ada R. Smith, widow of the late Joseph Smith, president of the reorganized church of the Latter Day Saints, died at independent, Mo., near here, last night. She was married to Smith in 1838, at Lamoni, Iowa, and removed to independent in 1906. She is survived by three sons, and a step son, Frederick A. Smith, who has succeeded his father as leader of the church. Burial will be here.

PEACE REASON FOR THANKS

President Issues Thanksgiving Proclamation Fixing Date as Nov. 25.
Washington, Oct. 21.—President Wilson today in a proclamation designating Thursday, Nov. 25, as Thanksgiving day, calls attention to the fact that the United States has been at peace while Europe has been at war.

"We have been able to assert our rights and the rights of mankind without breach of friendship with the great nations with whom we have had to deal," said the president.

Congregational Church Council

New Haven, Conn., Oct. 21.—The American council of Congregational churches resumed its session here today, and this was followed by the business meetings of the Congregational Sunday School and Publishing Society.

Religious Freedom in Peru

Lima, Peru, Oct. 21.—By a vote of 99 to 12, the chamber of deputies yesterday sanctioned a change in the constitution which will guarantee religious freedom.

TO CLOSE TEXAS PORTS TO VILLA

United States to Prevent Disposal of Confiscated Property.

OR MAY HOLD GOODS FOR LAWFUL OWNERS

State Department Agent Withdrawn From Service With Villa's Army, as Result of Recognition of Carranza—Villa Leaders Urge Northern Chief to Retire—Threaten to Quit His Command if He Fails to Comply.

Washington, Oct. 21.—If General Villa confiscates mines, smelters, cattle and other sources of revenue in territory he controls, as confidential advisers to the state department today indicate, he is preparing to do, the American government will find a way to prevent him from disposing of the property in the United States.

Two methods of procedure may be pursued. The first is closing of all ports of entry on the border between Texas and the states of Sonora and Chihuahua. The second is the holding for rightful owners of confiscated property shipped across the border.

The department was assured today that General Diguez, commanding troops of the Carranza government in Sonora, would take steps to properly protect all persons in the Yaqui valley. Reparation also will be provided at Los Hornos, in order that necessary repairs may be made to the dam there, which is the key to the irrigation system of the Yaqui valley.

Carothers Is Withdrawn

George C. Carothers, special agent of the state department, attached to General Villa's army, has been withdrawn, as one of the consequences of the recognition of General Carranza. Carothers is on his way to Douglas, Ariz., near where a Mexican telephone man is now threatened with attack by Villa troops.

URGE VILLA TO QUIT

Conventionist Agents Believe Cause Will Be Best Served by Withdrawing.
New York, Oct. 21.—Leaders here of the Mexican conventionist party, of which General Villa is the head, were reported today to have notified him that he might give up the fight against General Carranza and come to the United States. Unless he does so, it was stated, all his generals of prominence will quit him.

It is understood the conventionists in New York believe the cause can best be served by a waiting policy. General Villa is said to be considering the ultimatum and to be undecided whether to come to this country or to continue fighting the Carranza government with such men as remain with him.

Manuel Chao and Raoul Madero, two of the principal generals, are here.

TO MAKE PHONE METERS.

Brewery to Be Turned Into Immense Factory to Manufacture New Device.
Des Moines, Oct. 21.—The International Telephone Meter Company, capitalized at \$1,000,000, has located in Des Moines and will start soon the manufacture of a device for measuring telephone conversations which threatens to revolutionize the telephone industry.

A deal was closed yesterday whereby the concern acquired the building occupied by the Des Moines Brewing Company at Third and Elm streets, thru the issuance of stock. Telephone meters will be manufactured in the building as soon as the necessary machinery can be installed.

Three Des Moines capitalists, F. M. Hubbell, Joseph Muehlaupt and Frank Mattes have become financially interested in the concern and were made members of the directorate at a meeting held yesterday afternoon. Other directors are: C. C. Deering of the Independent Telephone Clearing Association of Iowa; Gus Tegler, of Rock Island, capitalist; E. H. Martin, of the Webster City Telephone Company; William Rood, cashier of the Webster City Savings Bank; Duffy Sterling and M. M. Martin, both of Webster City.

E. H. Martin, the inventor of the telephone meter is president of the concern. Joseph Muehlaupt is vice president and William Rood, secretary and treasurer.

Announcement was made last night by C. H. Brown, of Webster City, manager of the affairs of the company which was recently incorporated, that the task of remodeling the Des Moines brewery will be started at once. He said that fully 400 men would be given employment when the manufacture of meters for sale is begun, which he believes will be about Jan. 1.

TWO HELD FOR AUTO THEFT

Man and Woman Arrested at Montezuma For Stealing Car in Des Moines. Special to Times-Republican.
Montezuma, Oct. 21.—About noon today a young man and woman drove into Montezuma in an Overland car. Sheriff Lamb had been notified that a car had been stolen in Des Moines and was on the lookout for tourists. He took the couple into custody. They refused to give their names but said that they were from Newton. Later the man admitted leaving Des Moines about 7 o'clock last night, which tallied with the time that the car was stolen. The car number was that of the missing auto. The sheriff of Polk county was notified, and immediately started for Montezuma.

T-R BULLETIN NEWS OF THE DAY

The Weather.
Sun rises Oct. 22 at 6:17, sets at 5:11. Iowa—Fair tonight and Friday; not much change in temperature. The most striking feature of this morning's map is the general prevalence of clear weather between the Atlantic and Pacific slopes. The only precipitation occurring within this area during the last twenty-four hours was of an inch at Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. Precipitation has occurred also in the Atlantic coast states and in northwestern Washington. The depression noted yesterday north of the Great Lakes is passing off over the St. Lawrence valley, but the northwestern low has remained stationary. A third disturbance is off the North Pacific coast. Lower temperature prevails this morning in eastern Iowa, Wisconsin, Illinois and the central lake region. Present weather conditions are expected to continue in this vicinity for another thirty-six hours.

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Telegraphic News:
Great Band Attacks United States Troopers.
Kill Three and Wound Eight. Fifteen Soldiers Hold Off Seventy-Five.
Allies Trying to Force Greece Into War.
Texas Ports Closed to Villa.
Big Guns For Pacific Coast Cities.
PARTS TWO, THREE AND FOUR.

Partnership Act Binding.
Track Upset by Heavy Rain.
California Lads to Visit Ames.
Hamilton Chosen Presbyterian Moderator.
Fifty Thousand Dollar Fire at Grant. Suffrage Leaders' Plans.
Cornell College to Install Prexy.

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Getting Out of the Mud.
The Blind Man's Eyes.
California Roads and Roadmaking.
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Iowa Opinion and News.

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City News:
Second Iowa to Perry.
Gen. B. A. Beeson Chosen President. To Install Modern Ventilation in Rogers Building.
Plan South Side Park.
Four-Veteran Rule Goes Over.
New Vanclue Bank Elects Officers. General and Brief City News.

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Markets and General:
Big Receipts Force Cattle Lower. Fine Weather and Vigor Corn.
Hog Prices Tumbling.
Cattle Offerings Lack Quality.

SENSATIONAL BREAK IN HOG QUOTATIONS

Early Prices Today 35 to 50 Cents Under Wednesday's Close—Decline in Chicago Market of 75 Cents to \$1 in Past Forty-Eight Hours.
Chicago, Oct. 21.—Sensational breaks of 35 to 50 cents on the hundredweight took place today in the value of hogs. As quotations last night showed a drop of 40 to 50 cents under the previous day's average, the smash in prices today ranged from 75 cents to a hundred pounds as compared with forty-eight hours ago.

Over-supply Causes Break.

Pittsburgh, Oct. 21.—A drop of 30 cents on the hundredweight from last night's quotations was recorded at the local stock yards today in the price of hogs. There has been a loss of 95 cents here within the past week. According to stock yards officials the present smash price resulted from an oversupply of hogs.

RE-ELECT MISS DUNLAP.

Chosen President of Iowa Equal Suffrage Association For Another Year.
Des Moines, Oct. 21.—Miss Flora Dunlap, of Des Moines, was elected president of the Iowa Equal Suffrage Association here today.

The Rev. Effie McCollum Jones, of Waterloo, was elected vice president. Mrs. James A. Devitt, of Oskaloosa, and Mrs. Jansen Haines, of Des Moines, were re-elected recording and corresponding secretaries, respectively. Mrs. Ella G. Caldwell, of Adel, was re-elected treasurer.

The election of officers for the association occupied the entire time of the delegates this morning. The election of members to the directory board will be made this afternoon.

On the first ballot Miss Dunlap received 84 votes; Mrs. Frank Dodson, 36, and Mrs. Homer Miller, 16. Mrs. Miller withdrew, leaving Miss Dunlap and Mrs. Dodson as candidates for the office. On the second ballot Miss Dunlap received 112 votes, and Mrs. Dodson 33.

The campaign for funds will be continued this afternoon. Reports of county chairmen will be given during the day.

Three members of the state board were elected as follows: Mrs. H. W. Spaulding, of Grinnell; Mrs. A. J. McNeil and Miss Elizabeth Perkins, of Des Moines. The association has not decided as yet whether there will be a state meeting next fall or not.

No More Dishwashing.

The decline of dishwashing is prophesied—its total abolition to take place within ten years, according to the Edison Monthly. There is probably no household of six or more in which at least three hours a day are not passed in this tedious and uninviting operation. And three hours is a quarter of an average woman's working day. Counting dishwashing and drying as unskilled labor, worth not more than 12 cents an hour, inside of a year the washing machine would more than pay for itself.

Optimistic Thought.

Remember, not too much of anything.

BIG GUNS FOR PACIFIC CITIES

War Department Submits Estimates For Coast Fortifications.

SAN PEDRO, CAL., IN FAVORED LIST

Sixteen-Inch Guns to Be Mounted at Port of Los Angeles—Defense of San Francisco to Be Enlarged and Guns Mounted on Puget Sound—Democratic Leaders Planning to Line Up Party to Support Program.

Washington, Oct. 21.—The war department estimates, which will be submitted to congress this winter, will include an appropriation for defenses at San Pedro, Cal., where sixteen-inch guns will be mounted. Additions to the San Francisco defenses also will be proposed to congress. Other defenses of the same character will be proposed for Puget Sound.

The navy estimate will include \$1,000,000 for a start on the \$5,000,000 laboratory for the navy advisory board, headed by Thomas A. Edison.

Democratic house leaders are discussing plans for an early caucus to consolidate the majority for the president's plan.

The leaders are taking into consideration that their majority is much reduced below last session's numbers, but they expect support from other parties.

Steel Stock Booming.

New York, Oct. 21.—Bethlehem steel made the one high record price of 55, an over night gain of 25 points, on sales of 400 shares on opening today of the stock exchange.

Before the end of twenty minutes the stock had extended to 59 3/4. A year ago when the stock exchange was closed Bethlehem steel was unofficially quoted at 25 to 30.

SYNOD GOES TO FORT DODGE.

Gypsum City Chosen Over Clarion—Old Mission Board Officers Displaced. Special to Times-Republican.
Cedar Falls, Oct. 21.—Fort Dodge will be the meeting place of the Presbyterian synod of Iowa in 1916. Clarion made fight for the convention, but the committee's recommendation of Fort Dodge was upheld by a vote of the synod this afternoon. Dr. Archibald Cordley, of Burlington, was elected president, and Dr. J. R. Linn, of Marshalltown, secretary of the home mission board, respectively. Dr. Hartings, of Fort Dodge, respectively, who had held these important positions for ten years. Dr. C. H. Burmer, of Des Moines, was re-elected superintendent of home missions.

DEATH LIST REDUCED.

Thirty-seven Killed, Fifty-one Hurt in Paris Factory Explosion.
Paris, Oct. 21.—Thirty-seven people were killed and fifty-one others seriously injured, some fatally, in the explosion which wrecked a factory yesterday in the Rue de Tolbiac, according to the latest casualty lists. Seventy-four women and girls and fifty-one men were working in the factory at the time of the explosion, which resulted from a workman dropping a grenade.

The factory was of a temporary character, consisting of wooden sheds erected on a vacant lot.

THREATEN GOVERNOR SPRY.

Anonymous Writers Demand Commutation of Hillstrom's Sentence.
Salt Lake City, Oct. 21.—Threatening letters similar to those received by Joseph Hillstrom were resubmitted to death, are being received at the office of Governor Spry. One received today threatens death to the governor and destruction to the city if Hillstrom's sentence is not commuted.

Dope Fiend Steals Drug.

Ames, Oct. 21.—The craze for certain drugs served