

DIG INSURANCE SWINDLE LEADS TO CONVICTION

E. G. Moon Aids Prosecution of Woman Member of Band in United States Court

FAMILY HAS BAD CRIMINAL RECORD

E. G. Moon, deputy U. S. attorney for the southern district of Iowa, has returned from Creston where he assisted in the successful prosecution of a woman who, with three others, has been operating one of the cleverest known swindles in southern Iowa for the past eight or nine years.

Illegal collection of premiums from fire insurance companies on the deaths of horses supposed to have been caused by lightning was the method used and it netted the operators about \$7,000 or \$8,000 before they were caught. All four were indicted but only the woman, Mrs. Lillie Lewis, is in custody. Using the United States mails to defraud was the charge against them in the federal court.

Horses Were Killed. In June, 1916, Mrs. Lewis, living at Sewal in Wayne county, filed a claim with the Farmers Insurance Co., at Cedar Rapids for the death of four horses which she claimed had been caused by lightning. She asked \$600 for the four on the basis of \$150 each. The year before she had filed claim for the death of three horses and the conditions were strikingly similar. So much so that the state fire marshal's office began an investigation. An examination of the field where the horses lay dead gave rise to the belief that the horses had been pounded off instead of burned as was claimed.

When the investigation began to assume a dangerous outlook for them the woman's husband, who gave the name of J. D. Lewis, offered to withdraw the claim if the marshal would let the matter drop. This made the latter more suspicious than ever and the matter was gone into more deeply.

Facts disclosed then showed that J. D. Lewis was no other than Grant Sherman Napier, member of one of the most notoriously criminal families that ever lived in southern Iowa. The woman, Lillie Lewis, was his wife. Another known as Ann Morgan, who lived with them, was Lewis or Napier's daughter and a young man there using the name of O. K. Wilson was Ann's brother.

After the investigation got too warm for them Lewis and Ann Morgan skipped and O. K. Wilson followed soon. They were all indicted but Mrs. Lewis was the only one who was caught. She pleaded guilty and was given the maximum sentence, two years in the federal prison at Leavenworth, Kan.

Family of Criminals. According to the state fire marshal the family history of the Napiers at least equals that of the notorious Jukes of New York.

There have been thirteen or fourteen of them sent to the state and federal prisons and their crimes include murder, manslaughter, incest, fraud, extortion of money, burglary and robbery.

Greely Napier was often in the police court of Ottumwa a few years ago. His pet crime was stealing chickens. He left here and went to a mining camp near Albia where he was murdered by his brother-in-law, who went to prison for life for it. His widow now lives in Ward.

O. K. Wilson, who is Lewis or Napier's son is nine he went to the state reformatory for killing a playmate.

The history of the women in the family will rival that of the men. Ann Morgan tried to work an insurance game, similar to this one, a few years ago at Knoxville. She went to the state house at Des Moines to see the insurance commissioner and when he refused to pay the claim she demanded a settlement. He stepped to the phone to call the state fire marshal to get his report and when he turned she was gone. She never came back on that claim, nor was it ever collected.

Scheme For Appraisalment. In order to get an appraisalment on the horses for the insurance company the Lewis family worked another clever scheme.

They would invite several of their neighbors to spend a Sunday afternoon at Sewal. They would all sit on the porch and in a few minutes in would walk O. K. Wilson, who would be introduced as a young farmer from Minnesota whom Mr. Lewis had met a few days before.

Wilson would offer to buy some of Lewis' horses and would lay special stress on the purchase of four he had seen in the pasture a few days before. They would dicker on the price for a while and then, in the presence of the three or four neighbors, would offer him \$150 each or \$600 for the lot. Lewis would tell Wilson that it might be well for him to look the animals over again as he wanted him to be satisfied with the deal. The party, including the neighbors, would then go to the pasture where the horses would be found lying dead under a tree which had portions of its bark removed.

When it came time to file a claim with the insurance company Lewis would ask the neighbors who had been with him the day the horses were found to help him make an appraisalment. They had all heard Wilson offer him \$600 for the animals and willingly set that amount for the claim.

Has Many Names. The duplicity of names for Lewis is not surprising to the officers. They know that he has used the names of J. D. Lewis, Grant Sherman Napier, which is his real name, and Sizemore and E. G. March, Connie and other names and it would be the sum to the rescue.

TIME NOT RIPE FOR MEDIATION

SCANDINAVIAN COUNTRIES TO TAKE MEASURES TO SAFEGUARD INTERESTS.

London, Sept. 23.—The Christiania conference of representatives of the Norwegian, Swedish and Danish governments has resulted in a further development of the plan for cooperation during the war in matters affecting the foreign affairs of the three nations. Through the Danish foreign office last night there was issued a statement setting forth what was accomplished at the conference. This statement, which is said to have been received with satisfaction by all political parties, is said in an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen to be in effect as follows:

"The three countries are unanimous for maintenance of loyal and impartial neutrality during the present war. The laws aimed at the rights and interests of neutrals by belligerent powers, as well as the difficulties in the sphere of commercial policy which have ensued therefrom for neutrals, formed the subject of a searching investigation which resulted in an accord for bringing about wider collaboration among the three countries.

To Safeguard Interests. "Special attention was devoted to the destruction of neutral ships and cargoes, as well as to the consequences entailed by the issue of blacklists by the belligerents. It was agreed with a view to facilitating the commercial policy of the three countries, that they keep each other mutually informed as to measures to be taken in respect of the countries in regard to both commercial policy and the repression of commercial espionage, to safeguard their interests in the sphere of commercial policy after the war.

Not Time for Mediation. "The parties also came to a complete accord, based on the conventions of The Hague, as to the attitude to be adopted by the Scandinavian countries relative to certain questions touching the duty of neutrals and the making of arrangements for safeguarding their neutrality. It was agreed, in view of present circumstances, that the three countries by themselves or in common with other neutrals, can not take the initiative in mediation between the belligerents or take measures in any way analogous to such mediation. Furthermore, it was agreed that it would be desirable to establish closer collaboration among the greatest possible number of neutral states for the purpose of safeguarding their common interests, while observing the strictest neutrality."

The ministers of the three countries separated with the understanding that further conferences would be held as often as desirable.

ELDON Nick Lutz is able to be at work again after a few days' illness. Mrs. H. C. Hastings and daughter, Marie, are visiting relatives in Burlington, Kas., this week.

Mrs. Harve Woods and daughter, Ruth, were expected to arrive this week overland from Amarillo, Tex., for a visit at the Omar Cresap home. Miss Ruth expects to enter Drake university at Des Moines.

Mrs. Claude Humble and daughter, Claudine, will leave Saturday for an extended visit with her parents in Washington state.

Mrs. Hetty Rupe and children of Mystic are here visiting at the parental John Shives home.

Mr. and Mrs. Hazen Moore are going to housekeeping in the Kohr building this week.

The Kensington club met with Miss Sylvia I. Crowe Thursday afternoon. The time was spent socially and the election of new officers for the ensuing year took place. President, Mrs. Zulu Lutz; vice president, Mrs. Bes Matlock; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Nellie Black. A vote for regular monthly parties to be given the fourth Thursday night of each month at the Moose hall was passed. The next party will be given at the home of Mrs. Kate Fane October 5.

Miss Violet Roberts went to Unionville Friday, returning overland in the evening. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Veitch, who spent the night at the George Roberts home, going to Ottumwa this morning.

Mrs. C. E. Appleby has returned from a visit near Des Moines with relatives. Miss Madelan Medes returned to her home in Fairfield after a few days' visit at the R. D. Crow home.

Mrs. Mayme Peterson was badly injured in a collision of interurban street cars near Lincoln. Her son, Russell, is going up to bring her home. Mrs. Ella Shore was in Trenton, Mo., one day this week.

Mrs. A. McMillan of Kansas City, Mo., came this week for a visit at the Emery Nupp home.

The Misses Sallie and Ella Davis will be hostesses to Chapter C. P. O. at their home on Maple Side E. at a welcome breakfast to start the season's meetings, Monday morning, September 25, at 11 o'clock.

Oscar Hootman is on the sick list this week.

THIRD IOWA CAVALRY AT LEON IN 1917 Centerville, Sept. 23.—The next reunion of the third Iowa cavalry will be held at Leon in 1917, this regiment holding a reunion every year. The new president is A. C. Barker of Mt. Zion; secretary and treasurer, J. C. Leach of Bloomfield. The total registration was seventy-eight, somewhat less than last year at Farmington. On the last day of the reunion here the Appanoose County Veterans' association held its annual reunion and 142 registered, many of them being those who reannued from the third Iowa cavalry reunion.

COAST VESSEL RUNS ON SHORE

PASSENGER STEAMER FROM BOSTON HITS ROCKS AND MAY BE COMPLETE LOSS.

Portland, Me., Sept. 23.—The Eastern Steamship corporation's steamer Bay State, bound from Boston for Portland, went ashore on Haleycomb rock, just off the Tip of Cape Elizabeth during a heavy fog early today. The 150 passengers were taken off in life boats and dories.

The coast guard cutter Osage and the tug Portland hastened to the assistance of the Bay State, but as the steamer was pounding heavily, it was thought advisable to have the passengers removed by the crew of the Cape Elizabeth coast guard station.

Soon after daylight the steamer commenced blowing her boilers and it appeared probable that her bottom had been punctured. It was feared that she could not be saved. The Bay State was sighted approaching the rocks by one of the coast guard crew at 3:30 o'clock.

As the boat struck only 300 feet from shore and there was little wind, the coast guard crew had no difficulty in getting out to her and the passengers were removed safely.

The Bay State left Boston last night on her regular trip to Portland in command of Capt. Levi Foran. The steamer has been in this service many years. She registered 1,555 tons net and is 281 feet in length, forty-two feet beam, fifteen feet depth. Her home port is Boston.

MEREDITH TO TOUR DAVIS COUNTY OCT. 7 Bloomfield, Sept. 23.—Chairman John Owens has received notice from the democratic state committee that E. T. Meredith, candidate for governor of Iowa, will spend Saturday, October 7, in Davis county.

The itinerary of the day as now arranged is as follows: 10:00 a. m.—Savannah. 11:00 a. m.—Stiles. 1:00 p. m.—Pulaski. 3:00 p. m.—Bloomfield. 5:30 p. m.—West Grove. 8:00 p. m.—Floris.

OLD CHEST OF BEER. Davenport, Sept. 23.—An old iron army chest containing five bottles of beer, which may at one time have been the property of an army officer during the civil war, was found half buried on Willow island, back of the plant of the Corn Products Co. Davenport by Willard J. Lane, twenty years old, and Byron Van Horn, nineteen years old, residents of Shantytown, according to the stories which they told at the city hall.

NEW BOILERS FOR LIGHT PLANT. Bloomfield, Sept. 23.—The city council has purchased new boilers for the electric light and power plant. They are also contemplating remodeling the interior of the plant, and erecting a new brick smoke stack. The total cost of the proposed improvements will be about \$5,500.

BIG HOG SALE. Vinton, Sept. 23.—The sum of \$9,890.22 was the figures of a hog sale made by Charles R. Fowler of this city to Bassett & Hill. The sale included 424 porkers which averaged 214 pounds apiece, making a gross weight of 90,736 pounds. The price received for these hogs by Mr. Fowler was \$10.90. This made the total cost to the buyers \$9,890.22.

RECLAIMED LAKES PAY. Des Moines, Sept. 23.—More than \$41,000 has been realized by the state of Iowa from the sale of reclaimed lake beds in the state, according to a statement issued by the secretary of state.

BUILD BIG STACK. Iowa City, Sept. 23.—The biggest smoke stack in the city, a huge concrete chimney behind the engineering building which runs up into the air to a height of 175 feet, is almost completed and will be ready for use within a short time. The university is expending about \$4,000 on its construction and when completed it will be ready to serve four large boilers, although only one is to be attached at the present time.

POSTMASTER KILLS SELF. Cedar Rapids, Sept. 23.—C. S. Shanklin, postmaster at Marion, the county seat of Linn county, shot himself at his home yesterday, according to telephone reports reaching here. He died shortly before 4 o'clock today. Mr. Shanklin was 59 years old.

WHEAT BEING IMPORTED Reported Purchases in The Argentine Credited With Affecting The Quotations in U. S. Chicago, Sept. 23.—Need of rain in Argentina has made itself acutely felt as a bullish influence in the wheat market during the last week. Largely in consequence, values showed gains of 2% to 3% net.

Attention of wheat traders, which a week ago had centered on whether Rumania would not bring about a speedy opening of the Dardanelles, was gradually turned away from that subject. Interest developed in the Argentine crop outlook opened a likelihood of active competition from Argentina took concrete form in announcements that cargoes from that country had been purchased in New York. Drought reports from Argentina, however, acted as a handicap on the wheat bears until on Thursday it seemed that rains had fallen just in the nick of time.

Aggressive buying yesterday on the part of leading speculators here strengthened the market.

Frost damage reports hardened crop prices to a moderate extent and also tended to lift oats. Provisions this morning were almost precisely at the same level as a week ago.

MARSHALL WILL VISIT OTTUMWA

Vice President to Spend Two Days in Iowa Next Month; Here Half Day

Ottumwa is one of the favored cities in the political campaign this fall and will entertain among the leading figures in politics during the campaign the vice president of the United States, Thomas Marshall who will spend half a day here two weeks from today.

The state central committee has been working hard to get some of the big guns of the party to use in campaigning in Iowa and thus far has met partial success. Some days ago it became known that Vice President Marshall might be obtained for a speaking tour in Iowa but the dates were not definitely fixed upon.

This has now been decided and the superb location of Ottumwa as not only the hub of the sixth district, but the mecca for all of southern Iowa peoples, led to the selection of this city as one of the favored places on the itinerary of Vice President Marshall.

Word was received this morning at the headquarters of the county central committee from State Chairman J. W. Reynolds of Creston that Mr. Marshall will speak in Ottumwa Saturday afternoon, October 7.

Two Days in Iowa. Two days will be devoted to speaking in Iowa by the vice president who is expected to arrive here about noon. The afternoon will be devoted to Ottumwa. Sunday will be a day of rest for Mr. Marshall who will resume his speaking tour of the state on Monday.

Upon the receipt of the wire from State Chairman Reynolds, the democratic county central committee and the district organization got busy. Wires are being laid all over the sixth district and throughout southern Iowa generally to bring thousands of people to Ottumwa during Marshall day.

The excellent facilities for coming to and getting home from Ottumwa make the selection of this city for the visit of the vice president an ideal one. Crowds can be accumulated here better than most places in the state because of the good railroad facilities and accommodations are good.

The roads with a favorable weather and good highway conditions will make possible thousands coming here from a distance as well as from surrounding places. The local democrats are jubilant at the prospect of entertaining the vice president and the plans now being laid include making the occasion one of a civic demonstration without regard to politics because of the exalted office of the prospective visitor.

When ye go home mad, the dinner never tastes right and yer wife's late and the children act awful—you don't let it ever occur to you that any of it is your fault, do ye?

BLINDED BY LIGHTS. Columbus Junction, Sept. 23.—Lynn Ploewman, a farmer living near Letts, was seriously hurt when his buggy collided with another buggy at the approach of a bridge. He was pierced in the groin with the end of a broken shaft. Ploewman was blinded by the brilliant lights of an auto and when the crash came he was thrown over an embankment of several feet.

TO SHIP CATTLE EAST. Waterloo, Sept. 23.—On Oct. 8, at the close of the dairy cattle congress here, a special train will make a flying trip with Jersey cattle to Springfield, Mass. Occupying the ten palace cars will be 158 head of cattle, the show herds of ten prominent exhibitors from nine western and southern states.

TYPHOID FEVER AT NEWTON. Newton, Sept. 23.—The typhoid fever situation in Newton continues quite serious. There have been up to date something like forty cases of the disease and two have been fatal.

SUPERINTENDENT DEAD. Jefferson City, Mo., Sept. 23.—Howard A. Gass, state superintendent of schools, died here last night at 8:25 o'clock, after an illness of several weeks of liver trouble. His death had been momentarily expected the past few days.

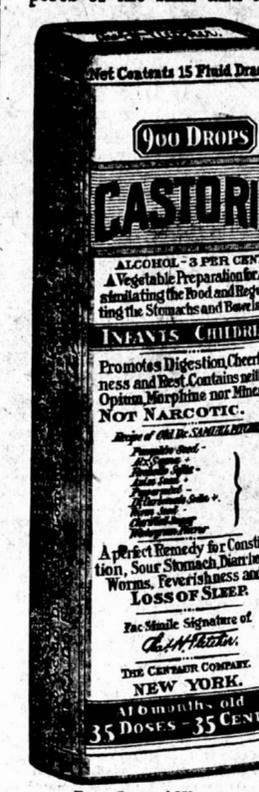
NO NEW GRAVEYARD. Bloomfield, Sept. 23.—The city council voted at the regular meeting not to grant a charter for a new cemetery at Bloomfield. The proposed cemetery was to have been on the McCormick property on which the old brick yard was formerly located.

NO BAN ON TENT SHOWS. Bloomfield, Sept. 23.—The city dads refused to pass an ordinance preventing theatrical companies from showing in Bloomfield.

Save the Babies.

INFANT MORTALITY is something frightful. We can hardly realize that of all the children born in civilized countries, twentytwo per cent., or nearly one-quarter, die before they reach one year; thirtyseven per cent., or more than one-third, before they are five, and one-half before they are fifteen!

We do not hesitate to say that a timely use of Castoria would save a majority of these precious lives. Neither do we hesitate to say that many of these infantile deaths are occasioned by the use of narcotic preparations. Drops, tinctures and soothing syrups sold for children's complaints contain more or less opium, or morphine. They are, in considerable quantities, deadly poisons. In any quantity they stupefy, retard circulation and lead to congestions, sickness, death. Castoria operates exactly the reverse, but you must see that it bears the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. Castoria causes the blood to circulate properly, opens the pores of the skin and allays fever.



Letters from Prominent Physicians addressed to Chas. H. Fletcher.

Dr. A. F. Peeler, of St. Louis, Mo., says: "I have prescribed your Castoria in many cases and have always found it an efficient and speedy remedy." Dr. Frederick D. Rogers, of Chicago, Ill., says: "I have found Fletcher's Castoria very useful in the treatment of children's complaints." Dr. William C. Bloomer, of Cleveland, Ohio, says: "In my practice I am glad to recommend your Castoria, knowing it is perfectly harmless and always satisfactory." Dr. E. Down, of Philadelphia, Pa., says: "I have prescribed your Castoria in my practice for many years with great satisfaction to myself and benefit to my patients." Dr. Edward Parrish, of Brooklyn, N. Y., says: "I have used your Castoria in my own household with good results, and have advised several patients to use it for its mild laxative effect and freedom from harm." Dr. J. B. Elliott, of New York City, says: "Having during the past six years prescribed your Castoria for infantile stomach disorders, I most heartily commend its use. The formula contains nothing deleterious to the most delicate of children." Dr. C. G. Sprague, of Omaha, Neb., says: "Your Castoria is an ideal medicine for children, and I frequently prescribe it. While I do not advocate the indiscriminate use of proprietary medicines, yet Castoria is an exception for conditions which arise in the care of children." Dr. J. A. Parker, of Kansas City, Mo., says: "Your Castoria holds the esteem of the medical profession in a manner held by no other proprietary preparation. It is a sure and reliable medicine for infants and children. In fact, it is the universal household remedy for infantile ailments." Dr. H. F. Merrill, of Augusta, Me., says: "Castoria is one of the very finest and most remarkable remedies for infants and children. In my opinion your Castoria has saved thousands from an early grave. I can furnish hundreds of testimonials from this locality as to its efficiency and merits."

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AVIATORS SAVE SEAMEN

Frenchmen From Sunken Submarine Are Rescued By Austrians Despite Risk To Planes.

Berlin, Sept. 23.—The exploit of Austro-Hungarian aeronauts who with two seaplanes rescued twenty-nine men, the officers and crew of the French submarine Foucault, is described by the Tageblatt. Official announcement was made at Vienna yesterday of the sinking of the Foucault by an Austrian seaplane in the southern Adriatic. The Tageblatt says the results of the crew was directed by First Lieut. Konyovic, who on two previous occasions had saved comrades who had fallen into the sea.

The sea was rough at the time and there was also danger that the Austrian aeronauts would be captured by warships, as well as that the five seaplanes, overloaded by taking on board so many men, might collapse. Nevertheless, the Austrian aviators told the men from the French submarine to swim to the seaplanes and take hold of them. The commander and second officer of the submarine were allowed to climb into the pilot's seat.

The aviators signalled for help and half an hour later a torpedo boat arrived and took on board the men from the submarine.

WILLA AGAIN IS A FACTOR?

Cabinet Members Discuss Latest Escape of the Mexican Bandit; Scott Believes Bell.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 23.—Secretaries Lansing and Baker today discussed various phases of Mexican affairs, including the renewed activity of Villa and the possibility of his again becoming a military factor.

While awaiting official versions from the Carranza government of the fight at Chihuahua City a week ago, officials said the report of Brig. Gen. Bell at El Paso was the most reliable yet received.

"I believe Villa is alive," said Maj. Gen. Scott, chief of staff. "We have had numerous reports of circumstances corroborating such belief." Gen. Scott said he would not ask Gen. Bell the source of his information regarding the Chihuahua City fighting.

Brownsville, Tex., Sept. 23.—That Gen. Jacinto Trevino bungled his attempted defense of Chihuahua City on Hidalgo day from the Villa attack and as a result may be removed from command of the army in northern Mexico and succeeded by Gen. E. P. Nafarrate, now commander of the Carranza forces in Tamaulipas, was the substance of information gleaned from apparently reliable sources in Matamoros, opposite here, today.

WILSON BEGINS TALKING

Makes The First Speech in His "Porch Campaign" to Delegation From State of New Jersey.

Long Branch, N. J., Sept. 23.—President Wilson's program today called for the first of a series of speeches he plans to deliver at Shadow Lawn in his "porch campaign" for reelection. He planned to address a large delegation of New Jersey business men on the attitude of his administration toward American business.

The general public was to be admitted to the Shadow Lawn estate to hear the president's speech.

Walter Hines Page, American ambassador to London, who arrived here late last night, remained over this morning to discuss with the president British interference with American trade and mails. The president informed him fully of the resentment in this country over British restrictions on neutral commerce.

BRAZIL MINISTER STARTS FOR HOME

New York, Sept. 23.—Dr. Lauro Muller, minister of foreign relations of Brazil, who has been on a visit to this country more than two months, sailed for home today on the Brazilian steamer Rio de Janeiro. Dr. Muller came here, it is generally believed he has been observing conditions in this country of interest to his government. He also visited Canada at the invitation of the Duke of Connaught.

Dr. Muller, while in New York, was entertained by the Pan-American society of the United States. He had occasional conferences with the Brazilian ambassador, Domínguez de Gama. Dr. Muller declined before sailing today to make any statement.

WRECKED EXPLORER IS NOT DISMAYED

Chicago, Sept. 23.—John Borden, millionaire sportsman and explorer, whose ship the Great Bear was wrecked in Bering sea recently, it is at his home today at Lake Geneva, Wis., having returned from his voyage to the north.

Mr. Borden said he would return to the north to continue his exploration, but probably it would not be within the next year, as the war makes it difficult to obtain a suitable boat.

AMERICAN GIRL IS GOING TO WAR

Chicago, Sept. 23.—Miss Gladys Spencer of Highland Park, a suburb, who was trained this summer at the national service school for women conducted by the U. S. navy at Lake Geneva, Wis., is today preparing to sail for Paris, where she will offer her services to the French government as a motor ambulance driver.

ARMY FAILS TO LAND RECRUITS

WAR DEPARTMENT BEGINS PAYING FOR ENLISTMENTS; COMPULSORY SERVICE NEAR.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 23.—The first rewards of \$5 for regular army recruits secured by postmasters under the new national defense act, the war department announced today, have been paid to Postmasters William J. O'Donley, Utica, Okla., and Joseph M. Siltman, Greensburg, La.

War department officials frankly described the new recruiting system as "the last gasp of volunteer enlistments." They pointed out that in giving a \$5 premium to postmasters for each recruit the government has made a supreme effort to obtain its soldiers without resorting to compulsory training.

They predicted that should the plan fail and a sufficient number of recruits to fill the enlarged regular army not be obtained, it will become necessary to adopt universal training or some system of compulsory service.

TO HAVE MILITARY BURIAL

Pittsburgh, Pa., Sept. 23.—The body of Maj. C. M. Anderson of the eighteenth Pennsylvania infantry, who collapsed during maneuvers at Camp Stewart and died later, arrived here today from El Paso and was escorted to his late residence by former officers of the regiment. A military funeral will be held Monday.

SLAYER AGAIN REPRIEVED. Springfield, Ill., Sept. 23.—Eliason Scott, a negro sentenced to hang over a year ago in Murphysboro, Jackson county, Illinois, for the murder of his sister-in-law, was given his eighth reprieve today by Gov. Dunne. The hanging was set for October 13. The reprieve gives him sixty days more of life. Scott owes his life to the insistence of Sheriff James A. White of Jackson county on a public hanging and the refusal of Gov. Dunne to permit the execution to be public.

CHICAGO BAKERS BEING WATCHED

Chicago, Sept. 23.—Federal prosecution faces large bread manufacturer if they absorb smaller baking concerns and advance the price of bread. Joseph B. Fleming, assistant U. S. district attorney announced today he started an investigation into reports that smaller concerns are to be absorbed.

YOUTH IS STRICKEN

Galesburg, Ill., Sept. 23.—William Hillman, 27, was stricken today by a stroke with infantile paralysis. It is the second case of the disease here.