

WILL ASK UNCLE SAM TO SPEND BILLIONS TO IRRIGATE LANDS

Congress at Spokane Monday Will Ask for Support for Gigantic Plan to Carry Out the Policies of Former President Roosevelt—Bitter Fight Is Expected to Result.

Spokane, Wash., Aug. 7.—It is not only possible but practicable to effect an irrigation of every part of the states into a comprehensive and efficient working unit, for the purpose of present unproductive lands and the expenditure of five billion dollars, directed to force upon their natural riches, the investment for the people of the United States.

FORWARDS CURED BY REMOVAL OF A BRAIN NERVE

Surgeon Reports Remarkable Operation Lack of Courage in Being.

Dr. Bonnier's removal of a brain nerve cured a patient who had been suffering from epilepsy for several years.

HUSBAND CUTS UP MARRIAGE LICENSE; WIFE GETS DIVORCE

SEATTLE WIFE OBJECTS TO HER HUSBAND MAKING HIS HOME ON ZEBU ISLAND.

Taking a neatly framed marriage license from the wall of his home, Harry E. Ayla, an engineer, of 2316 North 61st st., went to the woodshed and used an ax on it, according to his wife.

MAN IN A MASK RACES IN NEWPORT

The masked man in an auto, who has scored several days past, appeared again at the fashionable Newport race track this afternoon.

NEGRO FINDS WAY TO WEALTH HERE

HE JUST BUYS AND BUYS REAL ESTATE AND BECOMES WEALTHY.

IT'S A BAD YEAR FOR BRUNETTES



YOUNG MOTHER'S DREADFUL SACRIFICE; TRAGEDY OF AN EVER PRESENT "PAST"

Haunted by Sin of Years Ago, Mrs. Emma Michels Ends It All With Death.

The following is not an imaginary story. It is a record of actual occurrences in the city of Chicago this week, as taken from the notes of a coroner, the neighbors, the letter Mrs. Emma Michels wrote, and the testimony of her husband, her friends, and her husband's relatives.

WILL MARRY IN DEFIANCE OF HIS PAPA

California Girl Does Not Care a Rap About What Father Says, and Will Wed Her Sweetheart.

Despite the protestations of his millionaire father, Austin Losse, a graduate of the University of California, and son of H. E. Losse, president of the Santa Clara County bank and head of the H. E. Losse Fruit Packing company, is to marry the girl of his choice, Miss Louisa McGraw, a society girl of San Jose, daughter of D. P. McGraw, a San Francisco stock broker.

MINISTER IS JILTED WHILE AT THE ALTAR

Prospective Bride Being Whisked Away in an Auto by Brother Who Objected to Wedding.

CHARLESTON, Ill., August 7.—Stupefied silence fell upon wedding guests, a minister who was to perform the ceremony, and the prospective bridegroom, the Rev. James Snodgrass, pastor of the Baptist church at Hammond, Ind., who stood expectantly by the side of the officiating clergyman, when Marion Doty, father of the girl, entered and announced that the wedding of his daughter to the clergyman from Indiana had been postponed indefinitely.

CLARENCE BLETHEN WILL WED TUESDAY

Clarence Blethen and Miss Rae Kingsley will be married Tuesday of next week at the Kingsley home. They will go on an extended wedding tour, which will probably include Europe. Mr. Blethen secured his marriage license today.

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NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—While the Vatican press has let forth its thunders against the present day customs of women, it has remained for the department stores to take action on styles of hair dressing.

BRUNETTES OUTLIVE THE BLONDE WOMAN

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CHICAGO, Aug. 7.—Brunettes, taken as a class, outlive blondes, according to the statement of J. C. Curtis, secretary of the Equitable Life, secretary of a company of Iowa, made at the yearly meeting of general agents of the company, held in the Sherman house.

ABSENT MINDED FOR OVER THREE YEARS

FRANKLINVILLE, N. J., Aug. 7.—A big touring car with a flat tire stopped three years ago, at Postmaster George A. Nute's store, and having no means of repairing the damage, the occupants of the car took the train for Philadelphia, saying they would return on the morrow for the automobile. No one has ever called for the machine and Mr. Nute will now sell it for storage.

FREAK CHICKENS BORN

YORK, Pa., Aug. 7.—Charles Reilly of Gnattstown has a brood of chickens, four of which came into existence with left wings only.

JEROME'S ARGUMENTS

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Aug. 7.—Immediately after the opening of court today, in thequest into the state of mind of Harry K. Thaw, District Attorney Jerome began a speech reviewing the two trials in which Thaw was charged with the murder of Stanford White, and said that all the witnesses in both trials, with the exception of Evelyn Nesbit Thaw, appeared to have tried to show that Thaw is a paranoiac.

WANT LANE RETAINED

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 7.—Hoping to secure the reappointment of Interstate Commerce Commissioner Franklin K. Lane, the local chamber of commerce, aided by other commercial organizations, began plans today to appeal to President Taft for Lane's retention.

IMPROVEMENT CLUBS WILL TAKE UP THE ATTEMPT TO GRAB CITY HALL PROPERTY

CITY FORCED TO PAY A BIG SUM FOR LOTS

Bidders Run Prize Away Up on Municipality in the State Shore Lands Auction Today.

The city of Seattle had to pay \$3,600 each for two lots appraised at \$192.88 at the auction of state shore lands at the King county court house this morning.

The auction opened with lots 4 and 5 of block 27, Lake Union shore lands, the two lots the city wanted for a water main tunnel.

While a big price was secured for all the lots, the city was forced to pay more than any other purchaser. The money realized from this sale will pay the million-dollar appropriation of the state of Washington for the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition.

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Proposed Struve Lease Will Be Considered at Conference Committee Meeting Next Monday, and Will Later Be Taken Up by All the Clubs of the City—Taxpayers Are Aroused.

THEY WILL MAKE STRONG PROTEST

"It would be criminal folly for the city to become a renter. The municipality should own and occupy its own city hall and, under any circumstances, be the landlord. The city should not rent or lease this property for any such purpose as is outlined in the Struve proposition. On general principles I could not too strongly protest against the municipality occupying rented quarters."

The General Conference committee of the Seattle improvement clubs has been called to attend a meeting on Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock, in the Seattle Commercial club rooms, to discuss the "get rich quick" scheme of Frederick Karl Struve and associates.

The action of the conference committee will be followed by protests from the separate improvement clubs throughout the city, with a combined membership of 2,500, and if the attempted "steal" has not been dropped as a result of the Star's exposure in the meantime, it is pretty well determined that a petition calling for a referendum vote on the proposition will be circulated.

The Star's figures showing that Struve and his associates would make a profit of approximately \$70,000 a year under the lease they propose to execute with the city, have aroused a storm of protest among taxpayers and business people generally.

Col. Blethen Says He Told Marie Carrau She Could Not Possibly Win From the Piles Crowd.

LONE WOMAN NEVER HAD CHANCE IN THIS FIGHT

when she was offered the settlement of \$10,000. Col. Blethen said Jack Barberis and W. M. Russell to her advising her to accept the offer, making the statement that Root was "bought up" and that he would influence the other three judges, namely, Mount, Hadley and Crow.

"I do not believe there is a corrupt hair in Judge Root's head, and it would be foolish to think that I would ever make any such statement regarding our supreme tribunal," he said.

"He did say, and emphatically, too, that I understood a body of rich men had banded to gether for the express purpose of getting this money, and that I considered her chance mighty slim of ever getting a favorable decision."

Colonel Blethen admitted advising the woman to take the settlement offered in order to repay the men who were advancing the money for her expenses; but he denies making remarks detrimental to the supreme court of the state at any time.

The committee went into executive session after coming to hear testimony offered by S. C. Lindsay, 3017 45th av. S. W., and George R. Cooley of 2131 42d av. S. W., regarding a decision of the supreme court rendered in the case of a West Seattle saloon keeper.

The committee contended that the men had no evidence to show that the court was corrupt, and that they only were dissatisfied with the decision.

The committee will meet again Monday morning at 10 o'clock. All members of the committee were present this morning.