

WORRY DROVE HIM TO DEATH

Harry C. Pulliam, National League President,

DIED EARLY THIS MORNING

He Shot Himself in the Head Last Night at His Rooms in the New York Athletic Club Quarters.

New York, July 29.—Harry C. Pulliam, president of the National base ball league, who shot himself at his rooms on the third floor of the New York Athletic club, died this morning. No arrangements for the funeral have yet been made.

Standing in the center of the room, Mr. Pulliam held a revolver to his right temple. He fired only one shot. It went in at the right temple and came out seven inches away on the left hand side of his head. The bullet destroyed the right eye and passed through the upper part of the left.

The sound of the pistol shot was not heard in any other part of the clubhouse but Mr. Pulliam in falling to the floor apparently dislodged the receiver of a telephone which was standing on a table nearby. The operator on the ground floor answering the signal got no reply and sent a bellboy to Mr. Pulliam's room to find out what was the matter. The door was unlocked and the boy failing to get any response to his knocks, opened it and walked in.

Lying on the floor half clad lay the base ball magnate. The bellboy hurried down stairs and gave the alarm. Doctor Higgins, club physician, was hastily summoned, and after making a hurried examination directed the corner to be notified.

Mr. Pulliam, although still conscious and able to speak, appeared to be too exhausted to answer the physician's questions coherently. Coroner Physician Shady, who arrived about half an hour after the shooting, assisted Mr. Higgins in attending to the wounded man's needs. Both of them attempted to get some explanation of the base ball president's attempt to kill himself, but he continued too dazed to give intelligible answers.

The coroner's physician leaning across to Mr. Pulliam's ear asked slowly: "Why did you shoot yourself?" There was no reply. He repeated the question. Mr. Pulliam roused himself confusedly and asked in a dazed manner: "Why, who's shot?"

Again the question was asked and this time all that the stricken president could answer was a muttered "What shot?" The physicians decided that any further questioning was likely to endanger Pulliam's slim chances of recovery. Assisted by club employees they placed him in bed and did everything in their power to relieve his pain.

Reason for Shooting. A careful search was made of the room in the hope that something would be found which might point to a possible reason for the attempted suicide. Among the many papers scattered about, however, there was nothing to indicate that the act had been at all premeditated. Friends of Mr. Pulliam declared it as their belief that his act was the result of a sudden wild emotion and was done without any forethought and without reason.

Although Mr. Pulliam's act at this time was entirely unexpected, some of his friends said that at the time of his recent illness it was known that he was subject to severe attacks of melancholia and his attendants had been reported then as fearful that he would make an attempt on his life.

Harry C. Pulliam had only recently resumed the reins of the National league after an absence from duty for many months. Nervous trouble, due to his increasing labor in the interest of the national game, was given as the cause of Mr. Pulliam's absence from his labors.

Pulliam's temporary retirement was endorsed by the National League directors, who appointed John Heydler, Mr. Pulliam's assistant, as acting president of the league during Pulliam's absence.

Mr. Pulliam spent the time during his leave in the South and was believed to have fully recuperated from his illness. He took hold of National League affairs only a few weeks ago.

Mr. Pulliam left his office on Broadway shortly after one o'clock yesterday afternoon, apparently in excellent spirits. John Heydler, secretary of the National league, who is Mr. Pulliam's closest personal friend and who has been his almost constant companion since the league president returned to his office here this spring after his long absence on account of illness, left the city several days ago, and it is believed that the president had found the routine work of his office bearing down somewhat heavily upon him in Mr. Heydler's absence.

LOST IN THE CONNECTICUT.

Three Boys Go Bathing, Sink in 80 Feet of Water in Sunderland.

Amherst, Mass., July 29.—Word was received here last night that the bodies of three boys who went swimming in the Connecticut river at Sunderland Tuesday evening were recovered yesterday from the bottom of the river. The victims were Merrill Hubbard, the 13-year-old son of Charles E. Hubbard, a Sunderland market gardener, and two farmhands Joseph Holick, 18 years of age, and John Kienyck, 16.

When the lads failed to return home late in the evening a search was begun and their clothing was found on the river bank. Divers recovered the bodies in 80 feet of water.

SLUGGING SENATOR WAS DISMISSED

Stone of Missouri Justified in Attacking Negro Porter of Dining Car, So Baltimore Magistrate Holds.

Baltimore, July 29.—Declaring that in the circumstances the assault was justified, Police Magistrate Eugene Granon of the central district yesterday afternoon dismissed the charge against Senator William J. Stone of Missouri of having assaulted Lawrence G. Brown, a waiter on a Pennsylvania railroad train.

"Senator Stone I have traveled a great deal in my time. I can fully appreciate the treatment that you received at the hands of Brown who, it has been shown was discourteous in the extreme. I feel that you had sufficient provocation and that you were absolutely justified in repudiating and striking Brown. I dismiss you."

The case grew out of an incident of the trip Tuesday of Senator Stone from Philadelphia to Washington and which was interrupted at Union station last night, when a policeman of the Pennsylvania railroad entered his car, and placing him under arrest sent him to the station house in the patrol wagon, accompanied by Brown, who charged the senator with having assaulted him. Senator Stone and his counsel took their places in the ordinary prisoners' dock when the case was called.

James Owens, colored, the cook on the buffet car, said he heard the senator threaten to shoot and kill the "black dog," as Owens expressed it. Brown, testifying that Senator Stone used very abusive language to him, said: "I was shocked at what he said. 'Deed I was. Then he struck me right in my mouth.'"

Col. C. D. Foster, counsel for Mr. Stone, pleaded the immunity of senators and representatives from arrest and was overruled by Magistrate Granon, who then asked Senator Stone to give his version of the affair. The senator said he had given Brown an order for some luncheon and also for a drink. The latter was not brought as requested and Brown when reprimanded was impudent. The senator's order for luncheon, he said, he found on investigation waited in the kitchen after all the other guests had been served and had finished eating.

"I was angry at being made to wait so long," said the senator and when I reprimanded the waiter he told me to wait my turn and then I would be served. I saw the food was soiled and I said, 'You black dog, I said, you are trying to show your resentment.' Then I reached over and slapped him in the face."

Following the testimony of Senator Stone Magistrate Granon delivered the decision quoted above.

SPANISH THRONE TOTTERING TO A FALL

Believed To-day That Nothing But Foreign Intervention Can Save Alfonso from Disaster.

Madrid (via frontier), July 29.—Spain is on the verge of a revolution which threatens to overthrow Alfonso, king of the French Commune. It is believed that only foreign intervention can save the throne. Crowds hoot his every appearance and Alfonso keeps within the palace. It is said that Melye will be named military dictator. The situation at Barcelona is desperate. Two army corps are on the way and two cruisers and three destroyers are approaching with orders to shell the city if the revolt continues. There are outbreaks in many cities.

It is declared that revolutionists are now practically in possession of Barcelona and it is believed that unless it is checked at once they will completely wreck the town. Two of the most beautiful buildings, the church of San Pablo and the college of Dea Escalopis de San Antonio, are already in ruins. Government troops en route to Barcelona are expected to meet desperate resistance from the revolutionists; hundreds of men are being killed and the streets are strewn with the bodies of the slain.

The socialists are working in harmony with the anarchists. The latest outbreak is reported at Saragossa, where women working in a cotton mill struck and attacked the police. There were several casualties before the mob dispersed.

OUTPOSTS SURRENDERED.

Moors Take Possession of Those Outside Mellilla.

Gibraltar, July 29.—Official news from Mellilla says the garrison has been forced to abandon all outposts to the Moors and only the guns on the Spanish warships in the harbor are saving it from surrender or annihilation.

PRIESTS IN AUTO WRECK.

Car Hurled Into Ditch by Another Machine—Driver Hurt.

Ipswich, Mass., July 29.—While David A. Grady of this town was taking three priests for a drive in his automobile along Beach road, yesterday afternoon, the machine was struck and thrown into a ditch by a large touring car, which came up from behind. The other car, containing a chauffeur and three young women kept on its way.

Mr. Grady was caught under his machine, but the clergyman, although thrown violently out, escaped injury. They dragged him out and carried him to the summer home of Miss Elizabeth Rogers of Boston. A physician found that Mr. Grady has sustained a fracture of the leg.

ROADS EXCELLENT.

Glidden Tourists Were Pleased on Arrival at Oakley, Kan.

Oakley, Kan., July 29.—The pilot car of the Glidden tour, closely followed by all the contestants, arrived yesterday afternoon after a run of 165 miles from Hugo, Colo. The roads most of the way were excellent. The tourists were lodged in their special train, which was here on their arrival.

DID NOT BRING "HUSH" BOOKS

Attorney Hartridge Explained He Couldn't Find Them

GIVEN BY SUSAN MERRILL

Mrs. Merrill Had Testified That These Books Would Show That She Had Paid "Hush Money" to Two Hundred Girls.

White Plains, N. Y., July 29.—Despite the boiling heat men packed the court room today at the resumption of the hearing to determine Thaw's mental condition. Attorney Hartridge was called to the stand first this morning to produce the books which Mrs. Susan Merrill said she paid hush money to two hundred girls so that they would not testify during the trial of Harry Thaw, Attorney Hartridge said that he could not find the books. Mrs. Merrill who says she was Thaw's fiscal agent had testified that she gave the books to Mr. Hartridge.

She testified that the books show that she paid varying sums up to \$7,000, the last named amount being given to "Mrs. Reid," wife of "Prof. Reid," the man who rented rooms of her and whom she identified in court as Harry Thaw.

Jerome got from Hartridge to-day that Thaw sent him to Mrs. Merrill's house with an order, signed "Mr. Reed," to get a bundle of letters. He denied that Thaw ever used him to get a whip from anyone. He promised to produce the letters which Thaw ordered him to send to Ethel Thomas about a blackmailing scheme, growing out of the reports that Thaw shipped her.

Attorney Hartridge was on the stand until lunch. Thaw was impatient to resume the stand. Jerome at noon announced he would recall Mrs. Merrill for a few questions before Thaw resumed.

APPARENTLY SATISFIED.

After Their Conference With President Taft Over Tariff.

Washington, D. C., July 29.—After working for nearly three weeks at what proved to be one of the longest and most arduous tasks ever experienced in tariff building, the majority of the conference committee on the Payne-Aldrich bill brought their labors to a sudden close at six o'clock last night. Without a moment's delay, the Senate and House leaders, whose names are carried by the bill, started away for their homes with the intention of laying their report before President Taft, who had gone to Fort Myer to see what had been intended to be the last official flight of the Wright brothers in their aeroplanes.

All day long the conferees had struggled with the question of bringing down the tariff on raw materials and the Senate rates on lumber to figures they felt would meet with executive approval. In this effort the conference failed, and they appeared to appreciate the fact.

Lumber was made dutiable at rates only a little below those named by the Senate bill, and there was a very slight shading from the House rates on gloves of good quality. Although it was not admitted by the conferees, the general impression drawn from the hurried trip to Fort Myer was that the Messrs. Aldrich and Payne had been authorized by their colleagues to incorporate in the conference report such figures as could be agreed upon by the President in so far as they came within range of what the leaders believe will be acceptable in the House and Senate.

Returning from the conference at Fort Myer Messrs. Aldrich and Payne seemed to be entirely satisfied with the outcome of their mission.

MINERS VOTE TO STRIKE.

Fearful There Will Be a General Industrial Uproar in England.

London, July 29.—The balloting of the members of the Miners' Confederation of Great Britain to decide whether a national strike should be declared in support of the Scottish miners who are resisting a wage reduction of six pence a day, was concluded yesterday and resulted in 518,361 men voting in favor of the general strike. Only 62,930 voted against the strike.

This unmistakable determination of the men to support their Scottish colleagues and apparently equally determined refusal of the employers to agree on the miners' terms render the work of the intermediaries most difficult. Another conference between the employers and men will be held at the board of trade today under the chairmanship of Winston Spencer Churchill, and unless a compromise is then reached a general industrial upheaval appears inevitable.

GREAT RALLY BY LARNED.

Gave Him Very Exciting Tennis Match Over Clothier.

Boston, July 29.—William A. Larned of New Jersey, champion singles lawn tennis player of the United States, won the challenge match of the Longwood Cricket club's all-comers' tournament yesterday, defeating William J. Clothier of Philadelphia, the challenger, in a five-set match, 4-3, 6-3, 6-8, 0-6, 6-2. In several respects this was the most remarkable contest in the 19 years of these events at Longwood, and it is doubtful if the national champion was ever called upon to make such a grand game fight against physical exhaustion of himself and against a foe, whose stamina was wonderful and quick to profit by the mistakes of his opponent as did Larned.

10TH CAVALRY SETTLED.

Famous Colored Troops at Fort Ethan Allen Now.

Essex Junction, July 29.—At one o'clock yesterday morning eleven troops and the band of the 10th cavalry arrived at Fort Ethan Allen from Essex Junction in two sections of about 25 coaches. Everything had been prepared for their arrival by the post quartermaster and by three o'clock, shortly after the arrival of the last section, everything was quiet and the new garrison settled in their barracks. With the troops were the following officers of the 10th cavalry: Lieutenant Colonel Gale commanding, Majora Read, Grierson and Sands, Chaplain Anderson, Captains Patton, Flemming, Whitehead, Wallace, Lullin, Ryan and Parker, First Lieutenants Cornell, Oden, Huston, Palmer, Corenell, Terrell, Phillips, Trassel, Muller, Kepp and Pope, Second Lieutenants Edwards, Costleman, King, Whiting, and Veterinarian McManis.

Capt. Chas. T. Boyd will continue to be post adjutant, and Capt. Kromer, post commissary. Captain Flemming will assume the duties of post quartermaster about August 1st, relieving Lieutenant L. C. Reynolds of the 11th cavalry.

Troops G and H, 15th cavalry, with 117 men and three officers left the post yesterday morning at nine o'clock sharp for Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. The officers departing were Capt. Little, Lieutenants Pike and Dr. Perry Drake. Dr. Drake returns here for station and accompanied these troops on the journey only as medical officer.

YOUNG WEBB SPEEDED HIS AUTOMOBILE

He Crimined When He Was Fined \$15 and Costs of \$6.20 in Burlington Court Yesterday Afternoon.

Burlington, July 29.—Clad immaculately and with a smiling face, W. Sewall Webb, jr., of Shelburne appeared before Justice Devereux yesterday afternoon, charged with violating the automobile speed ordinance. Mr. Webb pleaded guilty and was fined \$15 and costs of \$6.20, which he paid. The machine that created the racket is the big stripped Mercedes that is often seen about the city streets.

PRESIDENT TUTTLE IN RAGE.

Refuses to Confirm or Deny Rumor That Mellen Will Succeed Him.

Manchester, July 29.—Lucius Tuttle, president of the Boston & Maine railroad for the last 20 years, flatly refused last night to confirm or deny a report in the morning papers announcing his approaching retirement and the passing of the Boston & Maine into the management of President Charles S. Mellen of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad company.

When approached on the subject Mr. Tuttle went into a rage, telling newspaper men to go to the sources from which the story came for an interview, but refusing to declare the rumor false or true.

After a day spent in aging and going at the Essex Country club President Tuttle returned to his summer home at Keittle Cove, Magnolia, last night. A company of newspaper men were waiting for him. The moment the subject was broached the railroad man became greatly agitated and talked so rapidly that the newspaper men could not get in their questions.

"Don't tell me what you've seen in the papers," he said, as he banged the paddock gate. "I have heard of this rumor, and I won't say a word to anybody, either in confirmation or denial. I'm not going to be used as a source from which the story is to be spread. It has no father, no mother, no one claims it, it is absolutely unauthorized. 'What do you think I am—a fool—a hopeless idiot—to talk about a thing like that when it affects my personal business? Go and ask the sources from which this rumor came for an interview."

PRISONER ESCAPED.

Left House of Correction Without Leaving His Address.

Rutland, July 29.—Ernest Kendall of Windsor, a prisoner at the house of correction, escaped yesterday. It is believed that he went either south or east of the city and the officers in various localities are being kept on the lookout for him. Kendall is about six feet tall, and has no mustache or whiskers. He wore an old grey coat, khaki overalls and a worn black felt hat.

The man was sentenced about four months ago to serve a year for selling mortgaged property. He has driven a team for the house of correction and the police in the Patch stand pit south of the city ever since last April. Yesterday morning early he told his companion, Albert Penn, also a prisoner, that he wanted to go behind a knoll for a purpose, and leaving his horse he went, never to return if he could help it.

SLAYER AND VICTIM BURIED.

Robert M. Fanning and Wife Laid at Rest Side by Side.

Fall River, Mass., July 29.—The final chapter in the Fanning tragedy was enacted yesterday afternoon, when the victim and her slayer were buried in adjoining graves in the family lot in the cemetery in Westport. No clergyman was in attendance, and the only prayers were those offered silently by the members of the family of Dennis Fanning of Providence, father of Robert M. Fanning.

GIRL ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.

Dr. George McPherson's Daughter Unconscious Since Accident in Maine.

Camden, Me., July 29.—Janice, the 7-year-old daughter of Dr. George McPherson of Boston, was shot accidentally by a grandson of Thomas Doliver of Brookline, Mass., yesterday morning, and her condition is critical.

The children were playing near a cottage where the families are and the bullet from a .12 Smith and Wesson gun hit the girl in the right breast unconscious.

HEAD-LIGHT TURNED OFF

And Motorman Did Not See Man on Track

WAS KILLED LAST NIGHT

Headlight Was Turned Off Because It Annoyed the People of Fair Haven. The Victim Had Been Drinking.

Fair Haven, July 29.—Arthur Ward, 40 years old, a resident of this town, was run over and instantly killed by a car of the trolley line running between Castleton and Fair Haven at about eleven o'clock last night.

As the cars approach this village the powerful headlight is turned off to prevent annoyance to citizens. The accident happened directly after this had been done, and the motorman did not see the unfortunate man until after his car had struck him.

It was noted earlier in the evening that Ward was in an intoxicated condition and it is probable that he lay unconscious on the track as the car approached. Color is given to the theory that the man was a suicide from the fact that he gave what money he had to a small boy a few hours before the accident.

Ward was unmarried and his only known near relative is a brother. He was employed on the Lloyd farm a short distance out of this village.

TEXTILE STRIKE SETTLED.

Somersworth (N. H.) Weavers and Loom Fixers Will Return to Work.

Somersworth, N. H., July 29.—After a conference lasting nearly three hours yesterday, between President John Golden and Secretary-Treasurer Albert Hibbert of Fall River, of the United Textile Workers of America, together with a committee representing the 33 striking loom fixers of the Great Falls Manufacturing company and Agent Charles H. Plummer, an agreement satisfactory to all concerned was reached.

On just what terms the strike was settled both the loom fixers and Agent Plummer refuse to say.

The loom fixers struck for a restoration of the wage scale paid before the outbreak a year ago last spring, amounting on an average to about 30 per cent. It is said that at yesterday's conference Agent Plummer refused to accede to this time to the demand of the strikers, but that he had promised an increase in the near future if they would return to work.

GIRL BADLY BURNED.

Blazing Cat-o-Nine-Tail Used as a Torch.

Lowell, Mass., July 29.—Josephine Kelley, 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Kelley, was badly burned near their home on Lakeview avenue yesterday afternoon.

According to reports a blazing cat-o-nine-tail that had been soaked in oil and used for a torch, by a boy, alleged to be James Senor, caused the girl's injuries.

The cat-o-nine-tail, it is alleged, was used by the boy to annoy children. The clothing of other children was set on fire, but was extinguished without doing them much injury.

Two neighbors noticed that the Kelley girl's clothing was on fire and wrapped one of their coats about her. The fire was extinguished, but the child was left in helpless condition.

The police are making an investigation.

THIEF CAUGHT IN HOUSE.

Woman Calls Police While Neighbor Stands Guard With Gun.

Providence, July 29.—James Taylor, alias Lewis Schneider, of Winchester, N. H., was caught yesterday afternoon in the act of robbing Ernest C. Baker's house of 270 Washington avenue.

A woman who saw the man break in telephoned to the police, and a neighbor stood on guard with a gun.

The police found Taylor, revolver in hand, crouching behind a door. They covered him with their revolvers and compelled a surrender. Taylor had picked out a gold refiner's house to operate in and had piled up many valuables to be taken out during dark.

Taylor admits to one theft in this district, two in East Providence and two in Pawtucket.

ATTACKED LITTLE GIRL.

Man Was Then Chased by Angry Father, Who Was Not Fleeing Enough.

Residents of this city are highly indignant today over an attempted assault upon a young girl, which took place on South Main street shortly after 10 o'clock last night. The young girl is Katie, the 13-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Couitts of 38 South Main street, who was somewhat harshly used before rescued by her father.

Kate, in company with her brother, Robert, aged eight years, went to a moving picture show last evening and while in the show a man, unknown to either of them, came in and sat down beside them and scraped an acquaintance. On leaving the show the man gave Kate some money to buy candy and then said that as they all lived on South Main street he would walk with them.

They reached a point opposite Loughheed's plumbing shop, which is the next building to the residence of the Couitts family, when the man told young Robert to run along home, as he wished to talk to his sister. The boy had no more than reached the door, which is but a few rods away, when the screams of his sister startled the parents and neighbors. Mr. Couitts ran out and in the direction of the sounds and nearly caught the man, who was attempting to drag his daughter up the steep bank behind the plumber's shop.

Upon seeing Mr. Couitts, the man loosened his hold upon the girl and attempted to run up the bank. Being unable to do this, he ran around the shop, with Mr. Couitts directly behind him. The angry father was, however, unable to overtake him, although he chased him to Elmwood avenue, at which point he was hopelessly distanced.

The little girl said this morning that as soon as her brother left them the man seized her clothes and began dragging her up the bank and that when she screamed he tried to cover her mouth and threatened her. The children describe the man as being of about average height, from 20 to 25 years of age, and wearing light trousers, a dark coat, and derby hat. He was dark complexioned and wore no beard.

Some of the neighbors who heard the girl's screams ran out, but not soon enough to catch the assailant.

MRS. AMANDA BRIDGMAN SMITH

Died Last Night at the Home of Her Daughter, Mrs. Henry J. Smith.

The death of Mrs. Amanda (Bridgman) Smith occurred at 10 o'clock last evening at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Henry J. Smith of 18 Maple avenue. Mrs. Smith had a shock last winter, from the effects of which she had not rallied, and when pneumonia attacked her a few weeks ago she was unable to overcome it.

Mrs. Smith was 72 years of age the 11th day of last May. She was born in Hanover, N. H., but when a small girl moved with her parents to Charlestown, Mass., and a little later to Lawrence, Mass. She was married at Lawrence in 1838 to Edward H. Smith of Boston, moving to Manchester, N. H., soon afterwards. Two children, born to the couple, survive. They are Mrs. Arvilla Smith of this city and Arthur B. Smith of Manchester, N. H. Edward H. Smith died in 1871 and in 1889 his widow was married to his brother, George W. Smith, who died in 1898.

Since the death of her second husband, Mrs. Smith has spent her winters with her daughter in this city and her summers in Manchester, N. H., until the present year, when it was impossible for her to leave on account of ill health. Beside her children she is survived by a brother, L. Jesse Bridgman of Salem, Mass., and a sister, Mrs. Edward Lane of Welleley, Mass. There are three grandchildren, Mrs. Oscar Anderson and Martha Sen of this city, and Victor M. Smith of Manchester, N. H.

Mrs. Smith was a member of the First Congregational church of Manchester, N. H., and of Ruth chapter, O. E. S., of Barre.

A prayer service will be held at the house at 6:30 to-morrow morning and the remains will be taken to Manchester, N. H., where the funeral services will be held at Pine Grove chapel and interment will be made in that cemetery.

CHELSEA OLD HOME WEEK.

Program Completed For Observance Week of August 15.

Chelsea, July 29.—The following program for "old home week" has been arranged by the executive committee, and is hereby announced: Tuesday, August 17th, reception in the town hall from 8 till 10 o'clock p. m.

Wednesday, August 18th will be devoted to games and sports, with prizes for winners; a parade of horrors in the afternoon, with prizes, and a base ball game in the afternoon. At 8 o'clock in the evening there will be an entertainment in the opera house.

Thursday, August 19th, 10 o'clock, a m. graphophone concert in front of the opera house, given by Elias E. Roberts of Boston. Afternoon, automobile parade, with prizes for the best trimmed machines, and later a ball game. In the evening there will be the first anniversary ball at the opera house hall with the Chelsea brass band orchestra of six pieces for music.

Friday, August 20th will be the anniversary day. There will be a historical parade which will include also trimmed teams with prizes for the best; addresses from a stand on the north common and in the evening there will be a drama at the opera house, presented by the New Chelsea Dramatic Co.

Saturday, August 21 the forenoon will be devoted to visiting and picnics, and in the afternoon there will be a ball game. In the evening Mr. Roberts will give a free graphophone concert in the opera house on his big Majestic machine the receipts for which cost from \$2.00 to \$5.00 each.

Sunday, August 22, will be devoted to usual services in the churches, with addresses expected by former pastors.

There is to be a lost exhibit in the court house which has been secured for the occasion through the courtesy of the assistant judges. The exhibit will be open certain hours each day during the week and will be of much interest to our citizens as well as the visitors. The Chelsea brass band has been engaged to furnish music for Wednesday and Thursday of the festival week.

WILL EXTEND ITS SYSTEM

Orange County Telephone Company Makes Plans

FOR AN ENLARGED FIELD

Applies to Montpelier City Council for Privilege of Entering the City by Way of Middlesex—Petition Referred.

That the Orange County Telephone company, which operates in this section of Vermont, intends to branch out and extend its field is indicated by the position made to the Montpelier city council last night for the right to enter Montpelier from Middlesex. Manager A. E. Covell appeared before the Montpelier council and stated that it is the purpose of the company to run its lines through the Mad river valley to Waitsfield, coming back into Montpelier by the way of Middlesex. The matter was referred to the license committee of the council to investigate and report back.

FOURTH-CLASS POSTMASTERS

Of Vermont Held Interesting Meeting at Wells River.

The third annual meeting of the Vermont State League of Postmasters of Four-class Offices was held at Hale's tavern, Wells River, Thursday, July 22d. The attendance was larger than at any previous meeting and the interest was keen. The special feature of the convention was the presence of National President A. K. Hoag, who spoke for nearly two hours on the objects to be gained by the league and of the brilliant accomplishments already secured in the interest of postmasters of the fourth class. Chief among these is the department order, putting appointments under civil service rules and out of the hands of politicians. Other minor reforms were noted and much incidental and most interesting information was given by Pres. Hoag, who is an eloquent and convincing speaker.

He was accompanied by State President Cummings of New York state, who also addressed the meeting and extended a warm invitation to Vermont postmasters to attend the national convention in Syracuse in October. Mr. Cummings is an enthusiastic young postmaster who is likewise a good speaker and being chairman of the reception committee at the Syracuse convention will "make good" all he said.

After partaking of a good dinner, the convention reassembled and proceeded to elect officers for the ensuing year. Upon nomination of Postmaster Sherry of Groton, A. T. Davis of Marshfield was elected president, Melvin J. Holt of South Woodstock vice-president, Marion J. Hall secretary and treasurer, and an executive committee composed of the foregoing officers together with Postmaster Quimby of Wildes and Postmaster Chase of Rochester.