ALL THE NEWS ALL THE TIME — THE ARGUS.

HAVE FOUR HOTELS

Messrs. Montrose and McHugh Lease New House at Cedar Rapids.

FINEST IN STATE OF IOWA

Are to Spend Not Less Than $50,000 in Furnishings—Have it for 15 Years.

An important deal was consummated yesterday at Cedar Rapids by Charles McHugh and J. E. Montrose, by which they secure a lease of a big hotel now in course of construction, in that city, which they will manage in connection with their other properties, the Harper and Rock Island, in this city, and the National, at Peoria. The Cedar Rapids Gazette tells of the contract they have made at that city:

"In the directors' room of the Merchant's National bank at 2:15 this afternoon was signed a contract which insures the completion of the new Third avenue hotel, the most magnificent hostelry in Iowa, costing $250,000.

Lease for 15 Years.

"The document referred to is a lease, running in favor of the firm of Montrose & McHugh, proprietors of the Harper and New Rock Island hotels, Rock Island, Ill., and of the National at Peoria, for a term of 15 years from the completion of the proposed structure, which will undoubtedly be by July 1, 1905.

"Messrs. Montrose and McHugh not only take the lease at a figure entirely satisfactory to the gentlemen behind the project, but take a large block of the stock, and bind themselves under the terms of their lease to expend not less than $50,000 in the furnishing of the building.

"The foundation for the hotel, which is being constructed by Hon. E. J. C. Bealer, will be completed within thirty days, when work on the superstructure will be commenced at the earliest possible moment. The detailed plans and specifications are completed and it will require only a few days to prepare for the asking of bids.

Has 160 Guest Rooms.

"The new hotel will have 160 guest rooms, will be 170x120 feet and six stories high, possibly seven stories. It will be without doubt the best hotel in Iowa, and its architectural arrangements the finest. Hotels of its class in America have been studied by the architects and the gentlemen comprising the building committee.

"Although Messrs. Montrose & McHugh have been figuring on the matter for some days the closing of the lease was really effected within 24 hours. Mr. McHugh has a pleasure steamer full of guests awaiting his return to Rock Island tonight and will leave at once on a trip down the Mississippi to the world's fair. He will visit Cedar Rapids again in the near future to observe the progress of the work and confer with the hotel company."

IN THE COUNTY COURT.

June 16.—Estate of Hiram Walker. Report of final distribution filed and approved. Executors discharged and estate closed.

Estate of John Lusk. Proof of death filed. Will presented for probate. Petition for probate of will filed. Hearing on petition for probate set for Monday, July 11, 1904, at 10 o'clock a. m.

Estate of John Hutchings. Proof of notice of petition for probate of will made. Depositions of subscribing witnesses to will taken in open court in proof of execution thereof filed and approved and will admitted to probate. Petition by James Hutchings for letters testamentary filed. Petition granted. Executor's oath taken and filed. Individual bond of said James Hutchings as such executor filed and approved, security thereon being waived in and by said will, and letters testamentary issued to him.

Estate of Emma Bailey. Proof of notice of petition for probate of will made. Deposition of two of the subscribing witnesses to will taken in open court in proof of execution thereof filed and approved and will admitted to probate. Petition by Thomas Herbert Morgan for letters testamentary filed. Petition granted. Oath as executor taken and filed. Individual bond of said Thomas Herbert Morgan as such executor filed and approved, security thereon being waived in and by said will, and letters testamentary issued to him.

Estate of Eugene Cronin. Final report of administrator filed. It appears there is not now and never were any assets belonging to said estate. Administrator discharged. Estate closed. Fees remitted.

Estate of Hazel Norris. Proof of death filed. It appears that more than 50 days have elapsed since the death of said Hazel Norris. Petition of Margaret Vandeventer, grandmother and creditor for letters of administration to issue to Central Trust and Savings bank of Rock Island, Ill., filed. Petition granted and letters of administration issued to said bank.

June 17, 1904.—Estate of Adelaide Bowling. Proof of notice to heirs of final report and settlement filed. Hearing on said final report and settlement and same approved. It appears there is nothing for distribution herein. Executor discharged. Estate closed.

Estate of Kathryn McKeever. Claim of J. T. Shields allowed in class 7 at $29.12. Claim of B. F. Knox allowed in class 1 at $78.75. Claim of Dr. Jos. De Silva allowed in class 7 at $20.00. Claim of A. J. Riess allowed in class 7 at $21.95. Claim of Dr. E. Bradford allowed in class 7 at $16.50. Claim of C. T. Foster allowed in class 3 at $12.50.

Estate of John Hutchings. Executor's inventory filed and approved.

Estate of William F. Tenges. Proof of notice of petition for probate of will made. Depositions of subscribing witnesses to will taken in open court in proof of execution thereof filed and approved and will admitted to probate. Petition by Mary H. Tenges for letters testamentary filed. Petition granted. Executrix's oath taken. Individual bond of said Mary H. Tenges as such executrix filed and approved security thereon being waived in and by said will and letters testamentary issued to her.

Estate of John Christ Henry Voigt. Proof of notice of petition for probate of will made. Depositions of two subscribing witnesses to will taken in open court in proof of execution thereof filed and approved and will admitted to probate.

Estate of Joseph Rosenfield. Inventory of administrator, c. t. a., filed and approved.

Estate of George Hillier, Sr. Proof of notice of petition for probate of will made. Depositions of subscribing witnesses to will taken in open court in proof of execution thereof filed and approved and will admitted to probate.

NICOL TO BE GOOD

Rockford Manager Agrees to Charge Boarding Houses While in Bloomington.

LABOR CONGRESS INFORMED

Letter of Congratulation to Judge A. M. Thayer for Granting Habeas Corpus Writ.

At the regular meeting of the Tri-City Labor congress held last evening the question of Hugh Nicol, manager of the Rockford baseball club, having his team stop at a hotel in Bloomington to which there is connected a non-union barber shop, was revived, for discussion, communications relative to labor matters were read, the practicability of reducing the dues per capita for the local unions affiliated with the congress was broached, and other minor business discharged.

It was reported that Manager Hugh Nicol had been in correspondence with M. H. Sexton, president of the local association, in which the writer stated that he would do all in his power to make a change in the boarding house while in Bloomington in the future, and that also he would try to prevent his men from patronizing the street car company in that city so long as it and the former union employes had not reached an agreement. It will be remembered that while the Rockford team was in Bloomington some time ago that the men stopped at a hotel in that city that has a non-union barber shop and that when the players went to the ball ground they rode on the street cars there while the street car company's former union employes were out on a strike.

False Report on Manufacturer.

The secretary read a communication from Henry Whitney, secretary of the congress in Detriot, Mich., in which the writer said that a false report had gained circulation to the effect that the M. Carhartt company, of Detroit, manufacturer of overalls and gloves, was unfair to organized labor. The writer stated that the rumor was a gross outrage upon Mr. Carhartt, as the manufacturer is a strong union man, and had sacrificed lucrative potions for loyalty to unionism.

The trouble between the proprietors of the brick and tile factories of Canton, Ill., and their locked-out men, was reported, and it was voted that all union men do all they could to aid the cause of the workmen. F. Herges, of the grievance committee, made a short talk to the men, stating that some of the members of different unions had been somewhat inconsistent, by not living up to their obligations by purchasing goods manufactured in non-union shops. He said that many a union man has gone into a clothing store, and if he chanced to find a suit of clothes, a hat, or whatever he went after, that suited him, he took it regardless of its make. He advised all to be more loyal, and to buy no goods but those bearing the union label.

Smoker at Next Meeting.

E. C. Berry suggested that at the next meeting a smoker be held, offering to furnish all the cigars without cost to the congress. The motion was put before the house that the smoker be held, and it was quickly seconded and carried. Mr. Berry also made the motion that a letter of congratulation be extended to United States Judge A. M. Thayer, sitting in chambers in St. Louis, for granting a writ of habeas corpus ordering that Charles M. Moyer, president of the Western Federation of Miners, be brought before him July 5. The writ is directed against Gov. J. H. Peabody, of Colorado, Adjt. Gen. Sherman Bell, and Buckley Wells. They are cited to appear with Moyer and show cause why he is being restrained in the "bull pen" at Telluride, Col. The granting of this habeas corpus is a result of the war that has been going on between the miners' union and the Colorado officials for several months. The motion was carried. It was also voted, through Mr. Berry's suggestion, that the congress send $10 to the Western Federation of Miners, to show that the local congress is interested in the deplorable affair.

No Change in Per Capita.

One subject that was discussed at great length last evening was the dues paid per capita by the members of the various unions of the tri-cities into the congress treasury. No action was taken on the matter and the dues, 2 cents per capita monthly, remain the same. The machinists' union proposed reduction of the dues, claiming that owing to the strike of the Santa Fe machinists and other similar troubles, the machinists here are burdened heavily to assist those on strike. The objection to the present dues was overcome, however, the majority taking the stand that they were very reasonable as they are now, and that while trouble may break out at any time it is best to keep the fund in the treasury as large as possible.

RUSSIANS ADMIT LOSSES.

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ing. The Russians fired on the Japanese ships and stopped them, and soon afterward they torpedoed and sank the helpless transports. Over 100 men escaped in the boats and landed in Japan. A message has been received here from Hagi, saying that the survivors of the Hatichi had drifted north to Shimonoseki and been saved. The transport Izumi is still missing.

All the news all the time—The Argus.

TODAY'S MARKETS.

Chicago, June 17.—Following are the opening, highest, lowest and closing quotations in today's markets:

Wheat.
July, 84¾, 84½, 83⅝, 84.
September, 79⅞, 79⅞, 79¼, 79¼.
December, 79⅝, 79¾, 79¼, 79⅝.

Corn.
July, 48⅞, 49, 48, 48⅝.
September, 49⅛, 49⅝, 48½, 48¾.
December, 44½, 44½, 44, 44⅛.

Oats.
July, 39¼, 39⅜, 38⅝, 38¾.
September, 32⅝, 32¾, 31⅝, 31¾.
December, 32¼, 32½, 32⅛, 32⅛.

Pork.
July, 12.67, 12.70, 12.50, 12.55.
September, 12.90, 12.95, 12.77, 12.80.

Lard.
July, 6.87, 6.90, 6.77, 6.80.
September, 7.02, 7.05, 6.95, 6.97.

Ribs.
July, 7.30, 7.32, 7.20, 7.22.
September, 7.50, 7.50, 7.40, 7.42.

Receipts today: Wheat 20, corn 323, oats 112, hogs 18,000, cattle 4,000, sheep 4,000.

Estimated receipts Saturday: Wheat 19, corn 357, oats 102, hogs 16,000.

Hog market opened strong.
Light 4.75@5.07½; mixed and butchers 4.80@5.15; good heavy 4.80@5.15; rough heavy 4.80@4.90.
Cattle market opened slow.
Sheep market opened steady.
Hogs: At Omaha, 7,000; cattle, 1,200. Hogs: At Kansas City, 8,000; cattle, 2,000.
U. S. Yards, 8:40 a. m.—Hog market generally strong to 5c higher. Light 4.80@5.12½; mixed and butchers 4.85@5.20; good heavy 4.85@5.20; rough heavy 4.85@5.20.
Cattle market slow to 10c to 15c lower. Beeves 4.00@6.55; cows and heifers 1.40@4.90; Texas steers 3.75@5.30; stockers and feeders 2.40@4.85.
Sheep market strong to 10c higher.
Hog market closed strong to 5c higher. Light 4.80@5.12½; good heavy 4.85@5.22½; mixed and butchers 4.85@5.20; rough heavy 4.85@5.20.
Cattle market closed dull.
Sheep market closed firm.

New York Stocks.

New York, June 17.— Following are the closing quotations on the New York stock exchange:

New York, June 17.— Sugar ..... Gas 96⅝. C. R. I. & P. 20⅞. Southern Pacific 41⅝. B. & O. 80¾. Atchison common 71⅝. Atchison preferred ..... C. M. & St. P. 142⅞. Manhattan 147. Copper 49⅝. W. U. Tel. Co. 87⅝. N. Y. Central 115. L. & N. 109⅛. C. & A. ..... Reading common 46⅝. Canadian Pacific 142¾. B. R. T. 48⅝. Pacific Mail ..... U. S. Steel preferred 54⅛. U. S. Steel common 9. Penna. 115. Mo. Pacific 91⅝. Union Pacific 86⅞. Coal & Iron ..... Erie common 23⅝. Wabash preferred 34⅝. C. & G. W. 13⅝. Illinois Central 29⅝. Car Foundry ..... Rep. Steel preferred 40¾. Rep. Steel common ....

LOCAL MARKET CONDITIONS.

Today's Quotations on Provisions, Live Stock, Feed and Fuel.

Rock Island, June 17.—Following are the wholesale quotations on the local market:

Provisions.

Butter—Creamery 18c@20c, dairy 15c.
Eggs—Fresh 14c.
Lard—9c.
Live Poultry — Spring chickens $2.50 per dozen; hens 8c per pound; turkeys 10c per pound; ducks 8c; geese 8c.
Vegetables—New potatoes $1.75; onions $1.50.

Live Stock.

Cattle—Steers $4.50@$5.50; cows and heifers $2@$4.50; calves $3@$4.75.
Hogs—Mixed and butchers $4.25@$4.75.
Sheep—Yearlings or over, $3.50@$5; lambs $4.50@$6.

Feed and Fuel.

Grain—Corn 55c@58c; oats 43c@46c.
Forage—Timothy hay $11@$18; prairie $9@$10.50; straw $6.50.
Wood—Hard, per load, $5.50.
Coal—Lump, per bushel, 14c; slack, per bushel, 7c.

WILLS OF J. HUTCHINGS AND MRS. BAILEY PROBATED

The wills of John Hutchings, of this city, and Mrs. Emma Bailey, of Rural, were probated in the county court yesterday afternoon. Mr. Hutchings, after allowing $50 apiece to his grandchildren, Lillian Pierson and Ruth South, provides for equal distribution of the estate among his children, James Hutchings, Mrs. Eliza Kirsch, Mrs. Anna Pierson and Mrs. Mary South. The instrument was drawn July 29, 1902, and the son, James Hutchings, is appointed executor thereof. Mrs. Bailey's will was drawn Sept. 14, 1898, and after a bequest of $100 each to her daughters, Mary, Elizabeth, Ellen, Sarah, Lydia and Ada, leaves the balance of the estate to her son, Herbert Morgan, who is named as executor of the will.

This morning the wills of John C. Voigt, of this city, and William F. Tenges, of Milan, were probated. The former leaves his property to his mother, Mrs. Wiebke Thompson, and the widow, Mrs. Mary H., is bequeathed the estate, real and personal, of Mr. Tenges.

COMPLETE ELECTRIC LINE FROM CHICAGO TO FREEPORT

Belvidere, Ill., June 17.—John M. Roach, general superintendent of the Union Traction company, Chicago, announces that a new electric line will be constructed between Belvidere, Elgin, and other points, making a complete system from Chicago to Freeport.

RINGLING BROTHERS' SHOW IN DAVENPORT TOMORROW

Ringling Brothers, big circus is to be in Davenport tomorrow, giving performances afternoon and evening. The tents will not be pitched in the west end of the city, as in former years, a new location having been secured just west of Central park. The parade will take place at 10 o'clock.

CAPT. O'CONNOR MASTER OF THE FERRY DAVENPORT

Capt. John O'Connor, member of the city council from the Third ward, has been appointed master and pilot of the ferry Davenport that the Rock Island-Davenport Ferry company is having built at the Kahlke Bros.' yards and which is soon to be placed in commission beween the two cities as running mate to the T. J. Robinson. This is the first summer in a great many years that the captain has not been employed on the river, having been for a long period master of the Mountain Belle.

KEWANEE BOY MURDERS: SHOOTS ANOTHER IN IOWA

August Elegeert, a 14-year-old Kewanee boy who has been making his home with a sister at Independence, Iowa, shot and killed Charles Schram, another boy at the latter place. Elegeert came up to a group of boys carrying a 22-calibre rifle. As he approached he ordered all to throw up their hands and at the same time he leveled the weapon at Schram and fired. The bullet severed an artery in the neck and death followed in a short time. Elegeert is considered a degenerate.

ONE KILLED AND THREE HURT NEAR EAST ST. LOUIS

East St. Louis, Ill., June 17.—In a collision between two through passenger trains on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad at Caseyville, eleven miles east of here, the engineer of the westbound train was killed and three passengers weresseriously injured. A relief train from here took the injured to St. Louis.