

## BETTER ELEMENT AT LAST SEES DANGER OF ANARCHY

**Hasten to Support Government's Efforts in Russia.**

### STRIKE LEADERS WAK

**Latest Effort to Tie Up Industrial Affairs Seems Doomed to Failure.**

St. Petersburg, Nov. 18.—A sudden awakening of the conservative and liberal elements to the imperative necessity for resisting to the utmost the attempts of the radicals and socialists who are conducting the present strike to obtain the upper hand, has galvanized the leaders into action and has started a healthy movement in favor of entirely cutting loose from the radical wings.

#### Leaders Active.

Leaders of the various groups, including the constitutional democrats, have gone to Moscow to urge the zemstvo congress to assemble all the forces which desire to prevent anarchy, to condemn political strikes and to join in supporting the government in its efforts to restore tranquility and introduce a new regime.

#### Notice to Government Employees.

A government note was simultaneously issued prohibiting government employees from participating in organizations actively opposing the government. A break in the ranks of the strikers in the Poland and Roumania organizations in the interior, especially those of railroad men at Moscow, to strike on account of Poland, and fierce discussions which have broken out among the workmen's leaders at St. Petersburg seems to doom the strike movement to failure and temporarily, at least, must inflict defeat on the social democrats.

## A FORRESTON WOMAN IS FATALLY SHOT

**Killed While Standing at Her Front Window—Three Suspects Held.**

Freeport, Ill., Nov. 18.—Mrs. Harm Anderson, of Forreston, Ill., is dead from a bullet wound received last night while at a front window in her home. Earlier in the evening Louis Swank, son of State Factory Inspector Swank, had a dispute with the woman's husband. Today, Swank, William Balsbaugh and E. Bokelander were ordered held pending the coroner's inquest.

## PEOPLE'S LOSS \$96,000,000?

**Witness Says Figure is the Extra Cost of Drugs Due to Combine.**

Philadelphia, Nov. 18.—Increased prices for drugs, due to the organization of the National Association of Wholesale Druggists, have cost the public \$96,000,000 in the last six years is the charge made by C. G. A. Loder, a cut-rate druggist, who is suing the national associations of wholesale and retail druggists and the Philadelphia Association of Retail Druggists for \$100,000 damages for alleged conspiracy to ruin his business.

## CONFERENCE INCORPORATES

**Desires Ability to Buy and Sell Real Estate.**

That the Central Illinois Methodist Episcopal conference may buy and sell real estate, articles of incorporation were sought from the secretary of state, and yesterday the necessary papers were received.

Those applying for the incorporation papers are Messrs. Thomas Doney, J. W. Frizzelle, C. O. McCulloch, Reuben B. Williams, D. S. McKown, Almer M. Stocklin, Joe Bell and M. V. Crumbaaker. These are directors also, the additional director being F. G. Barnes.

## TORPEDO BOAT IN COLLISION AT KIEL

**Sinks and Thirty-Three Men Are Missing After Striking a Small Cruiser.**

Kiel, Nov. 18.—Torpedo boat "S 126" collided last night near Buelt with the small cruiser, the Undine. The torpedo boat sank and one officer and 32 seamen are missing.

## PENROSE IN ROLE OF REAL REFORMER

**Erstwhile Pennsylvania Boss Has Hunch People Are Anxious For a Change.**

New Orleans, Nov. 18.—"The proposal to clothe the interstate commerce commission with power to fix a railroad rate whenever it finds the existing rate to be unjust is dangerous and revolutionary," declared Prof. Hugo R. Meyer of the University of Chicago in a speech last night before the New Orleans board of trade. Prof. Meyer continued:

"The proposal is dangerous because the commission would use the power in such a way as to precipitate great conflicts between sectional interests and class interests. It is revolutionary because the commission would use that power for the purpose of curtailing that freedom to trade over and throughout the entire territory of the United States that it was the purpose of our forefathers to establish and guarantee when they established the United States. It is revolutionary moreover, because it would make the interstate commerce commission a little deputy congress, clothed with power to make and unmake the policy of our nation in matters of the utmost importance as well as in matters of the utmost conflict of sectional interests and class interests."

Prof. Meyer referred to decisions of the commission to prove its inability to fix rates equitably.

## TELLS WHY RATE CONTROL WON'T DO

**University of Chicago Professor in Speech Asserts It Would Be Revolutionary.**

Philadelphia, Nov. 18.—Senator Penrose is now an advocate of reform. "In my opinion," said he in an interview, "every reform measure recommended by the governor in his call for the special session will be enacted by the legislature. The republican state organization will lend its aid to this end, and will most likely introduce bills covering all the subjects enumerated by Gov. Pennypacker in his call. The people demand these reforms and they should get them."

## TEXAS PAPERS PAY MUCH ATTENTION TO THE PARTY

**Rock Islanders On Land Buying Trip Well Written Up—Mudge Interviewed.**

The Texas press is devoting considerable attention to the Rock Island gentlemen who went to that state last week for the purpose of investing in land. A Houston dispatch to the Galveston News says:

"Messrs. W. S. Parks, I. H. Buffum, L. D. Mudge, A. Barker, J. S. Mudge, D. Montgomery and Capt. Dack, composing a party of intelligent tourists from Rock Island, Ill., are here. Before returning to Illinois they will visit and investigate the resources of the Texas coast country and will probably visit the counties of Wharton, Matagorda, Jackson, Victoria and Calhoun, which cover a belt of territory which, in soil, climate and natural undeveloped resources, can scarcely be equaled in Texas or any other state."

L. D. Mudge, in an interview, is made to say that Galveston is the coming city of the southwest, but as far as is known he has not yet been sounded on the baseball situation down that way. From the prominence which his statements are given it is easy to see that he is looked upon as the main squeeze of the party.

## GOOD BERTH FOR A GOVERNOR

**Montague of Virginia to Go With Rockefeller at Expiration of Term.**

Richmond, Va., Nov. 18.—It has been announced by those close to Gov. Montague that he will, upon the expiration of his term of office, become counsel in New York for some of the great corporations in which John D. Rockefeller has large interests. Several weeks ago the governor made a trip to New York, at which time he spent a week with Mr. Rockefeller at his home.

## DEFERRED WEDDING 24 YEARS

**Woman Sues Wealthy Iowa Farmer for Breach of Promise.**

Ottumwa, Iowa, Nov. 18.—Miss Lydia Albright of San Francisco, 46 years old, has brought suit against George F. Steever, a wealthy Jefferson county farmer, for \$75,000 for breach of promise. She claims that the defendant promised to marry her 24 years ago and that he several times has renewed his promise. Steever is 69 years old.

## MULCT PACKERS

**Scheme of Two Men Who Claim to Have Armour & Co's. Letters.**

## MADE DEMAND FOR \$40,000

**Threatened to Turn Correspondence Over to Be Used in Beef Trust Prosecution.**

Chicago, Nov. 18.—Forty thousand dollars was the price fixed upon a number of letters stolen from the correspondence of Armour & Co. by a former employee of the big packing firm, with the threat that unless the money was paid the letters would be turned over to the government as evidence to be used in the prosecution of the so-called beef trust. J. Ogden Armour, upon whom was made the first attempt to levy blackmail, refused to consider the proposition. The affair came out when it became known that two men were prisoners in the county jail, charged with conspiracy and extortion by threats.

#### First One Caught.

The fiasco in the scheme to collect \$40,000 came Thursday night, when Attorney Moritz Rosenthal, representing Mr. Armour, received William S. McSwain, 428 Oakley boulevard, in his apartments at the Auditorium Annex, and turned him over to Inspector Lavlin, of the Harrison street police district, after McSwain had demanded \$10,000 as a first installment of the blackmail.

A few minutes later Wilbur Cole, a brother-in-law of McSwain, walked in to the same trap, and both men were hurried away to the Cottage Grove avenue police station. Secrecy covered the arrest of the two men to such an extent that the police at the Cottage Grove avenue station were left in ignorance of the charges against the prisoners.

#### Say They Are Unimportant.

Attorney Rosenthal declared last night that the letters had been recovered from McSwain, and that they were "absolutely of no importance" in connection with the forthcoming trial of the packers. He declined to reveal the character of the correspondence, however, explaining that this would be done at the trial. Mr. Armour, he said, attached no value to the letters, but was determined to make an example of the men who had tried to blackmail him.

## GAS IN TRENCH EXPLODES

**Six Men Burned in Peculiar Fire at Chicago.**

Chicago, Nov. 18.—Six employees of the People's Gaslight and Coke company were burned severely yesterday afternoon in an explosion in a trench at Michigan street and Dearborn avenue.

The scene of the accident is near the main entrance to the criminal court building and county jail and the explosion caused some excitement in both buildings. Many persons in the courtrooms leaped from their seats and rushed into the hallways. Bailiffs quickly restored order and court proceedings were resumed. An alarm of fire was turned in and several companies responded. Thousands of gallons of water were poured into the trench without result. Telephone messages were then sent to the gas company, requesting that the gas be shut off.

## PRESIDENT SLAMS ODELL

**Reappoints Marshal New York Boss Wanted Ousted.**

Washington, Nov. 18.—The first step in the process of eliminating former Gov. Odell as republican leader of New York was taken yesterday when President Roosevelt reappointed William Henkel as United States marshal for the southern district. Odell had a candidate for Henkel's place and assumed with reason that he would be appointed.

## SENT UP FOR LIFE; INNOCENT

**Murderer on Gallows Confesses Committing Burglary.**

Carson, Nev., Nov. 17.—J. P. Sevens, Fred Roberts, Al Linderman, and T. S. Gorman were hanged here yesterday for the murder of Jack Welch in Humboldt county, in August, 1903. Before the drop was made Gorman stated that he had committed a burglary in San Francisco in 1898 for which a man named Barker has been unjustly convicted. Barker is now in prison serving a life sentence.

#### Successor to Pugh.

H. W. Russell, of Washington, Iowa, has been selected as the new agent for Muscatine to succeed J. C. Pugh, who will leave shortly to accept a position as agent with the Chicago & Great Western railroad at Rochester, Minn.

#### Six Are Victims of Hunting.

Louisville, Ky., Nov. 18.—The opening day of the hunting season in Kentucky has resulted so far in two deaths and four persons wounded, two fatally.

## TELLS NEED OF THE ARMY

**Lieut. Gen. Chaffee Says Forces Are Under-officered.**

## CRIPPLED IN WAR TIME

**Healthy Public Sentiment Aid in Decreasing Desertions.**

Washington, Nov. 18.—"The army is under-officered," says Lieut. Gen. Chaffee, in his annual report. He says this condition exists for the army in peace and "in war times it would be in a decidedly crippled condition."

There are 517 officers absent upon different kinds of duty required by orders and regulations. Chaffee thinks provision should be made to fill these vacancies.

#### Discusses Desertions.

Chaffee discussed desertions from the army and makes the following suggestions:

"Some suitable legislation affecting the political rights of deserters and aroused public opinion that desertion from the military service of the nation is repugnant in the minds of all good citizens, constitute a practical method and the only effectual means in my opinion, for a material abatement of the crime referred to."

He says the wisdom of the creation of a general staff has been abundantly demonstrated.

## POLICE IN A PLOT

**Divorce Bill of Woman Throws Light on Ring at San Francisco.**

## SAYS HUSBAND WAS GUILTY

**Officers Robbed Stores and Murdered Special Patrolmen When Discovered.**

San Francisco, Calif., Nov. 18.—One of the most remarkable police scandals in the history of San Francisco has been exposed by the testimony of a wife against her husband in a divorce court. It involves a conspiracy among certain downtown police officials to break into and loot stores and it also involves the murder of special patrolmen by these police thieves. Mrs. Mary Helms, in her suit for maintenance against Policeman J. H. Helms, revealed details of the conspiracy.

#### Husband Admitted.

Mrs. Mary Helms, who is the wife of a patrolman, swears that her husband admitted to her that he was a burglar and that he was assisted in his stealing by Patrolman John Edner, of Harbor station. It was disclosed that the late Chief Whittman was in possession of this information but never saw fit to put it to special use. At that time Mrs. Helms told former Captain of Police Dunlevy all about Edner. Chief Dinan declares he will investigate, but there is general incredulity that any real action will be taken, as it might involve officials high in the service.

## BRITISH SAILORS TURN UP MISSING

**Over One Thousand from Prince Louis' Fleet Fail to Return from Shore Leave.**

New York, Nov. 18.—One thousand and 56 British sailors were missing today from the squadron of Prince Louis of Battenberg. These sailors are recorded as deserters on the books of the ships composing the fleet, but the officers hope most of them merely overstaid their shore leave.

## THOMAS LAWSON PUT UNDER BOND

**Will Be Tried Next Month for Criminally Libeling Clarence W. Barron.**

Boston, Nov. 18.—Thomas W. Lawson was today held for the December session of the superior court on a charge of criminal libel preferred by Clarence W. Barron. Bail was fixed at \$3,000, which was furnished.

## KNOWN AS SILVIS

**Railway Order to Drop Name "New Shops" From Official Business.**

## APPROPRIATE DESIGNATION

**Engines of 800 Class Housed in Rock Island—Yards Here Given to Passenger Trains.**

The station near the Rock Island shops known as New Shops, is hereafter to be officially known as Silvis, and to this effect a general order was issued today by General Manager F. O. Melchoir of the Rock Island. The order states that "the station on the Illinois division between Carbon Cliff and East Moline, known as New Shops is changed to Silvis, and will be opened for passenger business only after Nov. 26."

This is not only a better sounding name for the station, but it is appropriate. The man for whom it is named, R. S. Silvis, was one of the chief promoters of that locality as a railway center and the company does well to recognize him, not only in this respect, but as bearing a name among the best known and most honored of the citizenship of the county.

#### Engines Housed Here.

The Rock Island engines of the 800 class, used in the fast passenger service of the Rock Island, are to be housed at the Rock Island round house. The engines have been in the past stored at the Natick house, as the one in Rock Island was much too small to accommodate the moguls. The company now has a large crew of men at work rebuilding the local round house in order to accommodate the big engines, and 11 stalls are being lengthened. The doors of the house were not large enough to admit this class.

#### Abandonment of Natick Complete.

Every change being made by the Rock Island indicates the complete abandonment of Natick as a railway center in the near future. The freight business is to be handled entirely from the Silvis yards, as the new order designates them, and the passenger business will be handled from Rock Island, leaving Natick entirely out. The west bound freight business was handled for the first time yesterday from the new yards at Silvis instead of at Natick. Natick will be the terminal for east bound business for perhaps another month, until the east bound yards are completed. After that Natick and Rock Island yards will be used only for handling the bad order cars and repair business. The Rock Island yards are to be abandoned entirely except for making up passenger trains, when the new yards at Silvis are equipped with repair tracks and entirely completed. In the past the west bound business was handled from Rock Island.

#### Gasoline Operates Turn Table.

Gasoline was used in the operation of the turn table at the Rock Island round house yesterday for the first time. The big new turn table, installed for the accommodation of the passenger engines which are to be housed here in the future in the new round house, has been completed. Instead of requiring eight or ten men for a considerable time to turn the table, the new method requires one man less than 5 minutes to turn the largest engine on the road. The table is 75 feet in length, and is similar to that which will be installed at the Silvis yards. The repairs on the roundhouse, and the installation of the new turn table will represent an expenditure of between \$25,000 and \$30,000.

#### New Burlington Card in Effect.

Tomorrow a new time card goes in to effect on the Burlington, resulting in a number of changes affecting Rock Island. The Beardstown train after Sunday arrives in Rock Island at 11:30 instead of 12:10, and returning leaves at 2:45 instead of 3:20. The St. Louis train, now arriving at 6:25 will not arrive until 7:15 under the new card. The changes are made to enable the trains to make connections with other trains at junction points. The changes will greatly improve the time table of the road.

## TERMS ARE HELD SEVERE

**M. G. & S. Turned Down by Morrison—Success Elsewhere.**

Some of the towns east of here that have been asked to lend assistance to the proposed Milwaukee, Galesburg & Southern road, have backed up when the terms were made known. One of these was Morrison, capital of Whiteside county, where all enthusiasm subsided when it was learned that all the company wanted was a free right of way through to the Carroll county line and the subscription for \$200,000 worth of the 4 per cent gold bonds at 95 cents.

At Andover the promoters appear to have met with a different sort of a reception. The business men having held an offer of a right of way through the street desired and subscription for \$50,000 worth of bonds. In general the company is meeting with much encouragement.

## CONSULTING ENGINEERS FAVOR SEA LEVEL CANAL

## BIG SUIT BEGUN AGAINST PACKERS

**Penalties Amounting to \$7,000,000 Involved in Case Begun in Arkansas.**

Little Rock, Ark., Nov. 18.—Four suits demanding penalties aggregating \$7,000,000 were filed against beef packers last evening by Special Counsel James H. Stevens and Assistant Attorney General Rogers.

The defendants are Armour & Co., the Cudahy Packing company, and Swift & Co., and against each three cases of action are alleged.

Two allegations charge the corporations with being members of a pool, trust, or conspiracy to control prices and output. Charges of being a monopoly form the basis of the other cause.

## A REVIVALIST FOR OVER FIFTY YEARS

**Mother of Bishop Fitzgerald Dies at New Jersey Home Aged 93.**

Newark, N. J., Nov. 18.—Mrs. Osee M. Fitzgerald, mother of Bishop Fitzgerald of the Methodist Episcopal church, is dead, aged 93. She had for more than 50 years conducted revival and other religious services on the famous Methodist camp grounds in Mount Tabor.

## STOOD ON HEAD FLEEING PRISONER CRIES OUT

**Accident Prevents Jail Delivery—Convict Hidden in a Shoe Crate.**

Jefferson City, Mo., Nov. 18.—Only an accident prevented Benjamin Brumley, a convict from St. Louis, from escaping from the penitentiary yesterday. Brumley was assigned to the shipping room filling boxes with kindling wood. He hid himself in a shoe crate, the half of which was filled with kindling. An expressman loaded him in a wagon and started away. After getting outside the prison yard the driver found the boxes did not ride well and by chance placed the one in which Brumley was secreted in such a manner that Brumley was stood on his head. The prisoner endured the position as long as he could, but was forced to cry out finally.

The expressman drove back into the prison yard and surrendered his find.

## TWO DEAD, THREE HURT IN A DUEL IN ARKANSAS

**Revolver Battle Between Officers and Alleged Cotton Thieves Ends in Killing of Latter.**

Pocahontas, Ark., Nov. 18.—Two men are dead and three seriously wounded as the result of a revolver fight at Biggers, a little town 10 miles north of this place. The men who were killed resisted arrest on the charge of being members of a gang of cotton thieves. They opened fire on Jim Wisner, a deputy sheriff, and Jesse Johnston, city marshal. The officers returned the fire, killing two of the men in the gang; a third escaped, wounded. Both Wisner and Johnston were wounded.

#### Indict Son of Millionaire.

St. Louis, Nov. 18.—Richard H. Kastor, son of H. W. Kastor, a millionaire, was arrested yesterday on an indictment by the federal grand jury, charging him with conducting a scheme to defraud in connection with the Merchants' Brokerage and Commission company of St. Louis. It is alleged that the company paid Kastor to prevent the issuance of a postal fraud order against it and that Kastor worked through a United States senator.

#### Hough Found Guilty.

Dayton, Ohio, Nov. 18.—Coroner Kellin this morning rendered a verdict of guilty in the case of Dr. Oliver Crook Hough in jail here charged with the murder of his father, mother and brother.

#### Charles Elected King of Norway.

Christiania, Nov. 18.—The Norwegian parliament today unanimously elected Prince Charles of Denmark king of Norway.

#### Former Alderman Guilty.

Milwaukee, Nov. 18.—Former Ald. Robert L. Rudolph was today found guilty by a jury of soliciting a bribe while a member of the common council.

#### Korea Accepts Protectorate.

Seoul, Nov. 18.—The Korean cabinet this morning agreed to adopt the proposition for a Japanese protectorate over Korea, made by Marquis Ito.

**Large Majority of Board So Express Themselves.**

## MEANS SHORTER TRIP

**Verdict of Leading Men in Engineering Profession From Several Countries.**

Washington, Nov. 18.—The board of consulting engineers of the isthmian canal commission today declared itself by a large majority in favor of a sea level canal.

The conclusion was reached after a long and careful study of the project. The members of the board are men of greatest reputation in their line of work. France, Germany and Holland had sent their most eminent specialists at the request of the American government.

#### Shortens Trip.

From the beginning it was evident that the majority of members were in favor of a sea level canal. Their point of view was that, even if it cost more than a lock canal and would take longer in building, it would ultimately be of greater use, as it will enable ships to make a much shorter trip than if they are obliged to go through three or four locks.

## GRAND STAND FALLS AT ANN ARBOR

**Two Thousand People in Crash, But None Seriously Injured, It Is Thought.**

Ann Arbor, Nov. 18.—During the football game this afternoon the grand stand fell from five to fifteen feet. Two thousand people went down in the stand. Cries of agony arose from the injured. In 15 seconds both teams tore the fence down and the crowd rushed in to help the injured. It now appears that none was seriously injured, although scores were badly bruised and scratched.

Two Rock Islanders were among those who attended the Ann Arbor game—Master in Chancery F. H. Kelly and Justice D. R. McFarlane.

## RESOLUTIONS BEFORE LABOR FEDERATION

**Extend Sympathy to Russian Workmen and for the Various American Topics.**

Pittsburg, Nov. 18.—The resolution committee made its final report at the session today of the Federation of Labor convention. Among the resolutions adopted were those extending the heartfelt sympathy of American labor to and congratulating the Russian workmen on the success of the recent strike; requesting the federation to use its influence to have laws enacted which will hold employers and not employees for accidents on railroads, and other places where mercantile machinery is used, urging the United States government to acquire control of the telegraphic companies; requesting all union workmen to oppose congressional nominations of men who are not friendly to labor and opposing every candidate to public office who was not a friend of the laborer.

## BIG SUM TO FIGHT LIQUOR

**National League at Indianapolis Starts to Raise \$1,000,000.**

Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 18.—At a meeting of the field workers of the National Anti-Saloon league here steps were taken to raise \$1,000,000 annually with which to prosecute the fight against saloons in all parts of the country. It was stated it was imperative that the opponents of the saloon should have the money.

## LIEUT. FORTESQUE QUILTS THE ARMY

**No Reason Assigned for the Resignation of Officer Mentioned in Taggart Divorce Case.**

Washington, Nov. 18.—Acting Secretary Oliver today accepted the resignation of Lieut. Granville R. Fortesque, one of the officers mentioned in the Taggart divorce case. No reason is given for the resignation.