

GROCERS' ASSOCIATION FINED

Admits Violating Raffle Law and is Fined.

SEEK TO REVOKE ITS CHARTER

Iowa Teachers' Association Chooses Des Moines for Meeting Place

Next November—Republican Committee to Meet.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DES MOINES, Ia., Dec. 30.—(Special Telegram.)—Representing the Des Moines Retail Grocers' Association, Attorney W. A. Graham pleaded guilty to the charge of gambling made against the association in an indictment returned by the Polk county grand jury.

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Muscatine Grand Jurors May Indict Leaders of Labor

MUSCATINE, Ia., Dec. 30.—That the Muscatine county grand jury, which has been in session for more than six weeks, will return indictments against prominent labor leaders when it reports tomorrow afternoon is the belief here tonight.

NEW SWINDLING DEAL THROUGH C. O. D. PACKAGES

CRESTON, Ia., Dec. 30.—(Special.)—A request came to Postmaster Skinner of this city yesterday from Kansas City authorities asking that investigation be made at the express office here to see if any C. O. D. packages had been received for Jasper Young, lately deceased, in that city, but who was buried here.

Inquiry revealed that such a package was being held, with C. O. D. charges amounting to \$200, and also that a package was held for John Hannick, also deceased, the charges on this being \$25.00.

It has been watching the papers for obituary notices and then sending in the name of the deceased a package C. O. D. hoping that relatives would claim the package and pay the charges, which the promoters of the scheme would pocket and the relatives receive nothing but a lot of worthless stock certificates.

Two men are under arrest at Kansas City who are believed to be the principals in this graft and who have been operating under the name of the Great Western Tanning company.

Iowa News Notes. IDA GROVE—Mrs. Bashor, wife of Bishop Hatcher of China, Ia. to visit Ida Grove the first of January.

BANKER—George Deal, aged 47, the manager of the Commercial bank here, committed suicide this morning by hanging himself in the company's warehouse.

MARSHALLTOWN—Judge W. S. Kenyon of Fort Dodge, the junior senator from Iowa, will be the guest of honor at the annual meeting of the Marshalltown club on Tuesday, January 3.

CRESTON—During the Christmas festivities Mrs. Mary Bristol of this city, while drying the part of Santa Claus a home gathering, was severely burned by her costume taking fire. She is now slowly recovering from the injuries in one of the hospitals here.

IDA GROVE—Harold Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Davis of Galva, one of the best known and most respected of the old-time Iowa county families, was married at the Galva home Wednesday to Miss Lucille Faulkner, Norman McCay officiating. They will live in Galva.

LOGAN—Mary, Veda and Charles Norman, children of the late Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Logan, are attending the Agricultural college, Stanley Rogers, Harry and Ardo Joy and Herbert Carson of Cedar Rapids, and the late Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Logan of Indianola and Celia Bolter of Omaha are among the students who are here on their winter vacation at their homes in and near Logan.

IDA GROVE—Peter Meyer, aged 37, was rushed across country in an automobile while driving the part of Santa Claus at Danbury. Meyer took hold of the wheel of the car and tried to shove under a bridge to scare out a rabbit. It scared the rabbit out, was discharged and the car was damaged.

LOGAN—W. E. Bear, apprehended Tuesday evening at Grant City, Mo., by Sheriff Rock, was returned here last night by Deputy Sheriff E. W. Mitchell. Bear is taken to Woodbine this morning and arraigned before Mayor Tuttle. He waived preliminary hearing and was held to answer. He was then brought back to Logan, where he is now making an effort to secure his bride of a few months, was arrested here by Sheriff McKeown Wednesday evening. Authorities at Wahoo to be on the watch for Warner, as he has relatives in Ida county, and it is thought he might come here. A few minutes later, while Sheriff McKeown was getting shaved in the barber shop, he found that the man getting shaved in the next chair was Warner. The sheriff waited until Warner had been shaved and then arrested him. Warner does not deny that he deserted his young bride, but says that he was forced to do so to do housework and that he thought that under the circumstances he had a perfect right to leave her. He is only about 18 years old.

Five Thousand Sent Through Mail to York From Lincoln Lost

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 30.—A mail shipment of \$5,000 from the First National bank of Lincoln to the First National bank of York has disappeared and although the distance between the two towns is but sixty miles, and although investigation has been made, no trace of the money has been found, according to statements made tonight by officers of the Lincoln bank and the postoffice authorities.

The money, in currency, enclosed in the usual bank envelope and registered, left here on the morning Burlington train last Tuesday. The notification card was received by the bank at York, and according to the mail messenger at that town, the pouch supposed to contain the money was delivered to the postmaster at York, but the package was not in the pouch. Both banks and the postal authorities have begun an investigation, but thus far, they admit, without success.

NEW YORK STREET RAILWAY IS BID IN BY BONDHOLDERS

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The old Metropolitan Street Railway company, owning 50 miles of New York's surface system and capitalized before it went into the hands of a receiver in 1897 at \$129,965,000, was sold at auction today for \$129,965,000 to the company's 4 and 5 per cent bondholders.

HUNDRED THOUSAND INVOLVED IN LAWSUIT

CRESTON, Ia., Dec. 30.—(Special.)—Action for a suit in which \$100,000 is involved was filed here in the federal court yesterday by Attorney D. W. Higbee, entitled E. B. Spencer, trustee of the Swenson Manufacturing company, a bankrupt of Marshalltown, Ill., plaintiff, against Edward A. Reed, E. H. Mitchell, Edward Sheets and Herman E. Swanson, defendants. The defendants are wealthy and prominent citizens of Shenandoah and the plaintiffs are also wealthy men, so the case promises to be long and hard fought one and the most important suit that has ever been brought in the United States court here. The charges are fraudulent dealings alleged to have been carried on by the defendants in Shenandoah to defraud the stockholders and bondholders of the company in Illinois to pay the creditors of the company in Iowa and then abandoning the business.

LA FOLLETTE HITS COURT

Asserts Sherman Law Rulings Exceed Constitutional Powers.

TAKES OFF TIGHT NECKBRAND

Senator Declares for Votes for Women for First Time During Present Trip—Hays Praised for Mr. Bryan.

DAYTON, O., Dec. 30.—Nearing the end of his speech making trip of Ohio, preaching the doctrine of progressive republicanism, Senator Robert M. La Follette of Wisconsin traveled through the western part of the state yesterday, closing his day with a meeting in Memorial hall where he reiterated his assertion made at the noon meeting at North Baltimore that the supreme court of the United States had assumed legislative powers never granted by the constitution in its rulings on the Sherman anti-trust law.

On the trip from Toledo by trolley a three-minute unscheduled speech was made to a group that assembled about the car at Bowling Green, the car pulling out on its way while the senator was still speaking.

At North Baltimore, where an abandoned tabernacle was used for the meeting, the sign "Get right with God" was still strung across the end of the building, above the back of the senator.

Pointing to the sign, he read it aloud and paraphrased it by saying "Get right with your state and get right with your country."

Senator La Follette referred to the afternoon meeting in his remarks tonight and repeated his admonition of the afternoon.

In the midst of his speech, Senator La Follette suddenly stopped, grew red in the face, and said to his hearers: "Say, my collar is too tight. Can I take it off?"

Midst the shouts of "yes" he removed the annoying neckband.

For the first time on this trip the senator tonight declared for votes for women.

The name of W. J. Bryan was mentioned by Senator La Follette and he was interrupted by applause.

"I am not ashamed to pause while you pay tribute to Mr. Bryan," he said. "He is a highly honorable man. I feel under obligation to Colonel Bryan."

PINCHOT ATTACKS THE BOSSES

Former Chief Forester Makes Speech in Medina, Ohio.

MEDINA, O., Dec. 30.—Gifford Pinchot, former chief of the forestry bureau of the United States, friend and adviser of Theodore Roosevelt, made a political speech here last night in which he attacked bosses and bossism.

"To a boss a party is not a principle but a tool," said Mr. Pinchot.

"In New York state, for example, Murphy is a democrat, Barnes a republican. Both alike stand for all that is shameful and all that is unfair in political life. The one clear distinction between them is this, that Murphy rose from a humble origin to his present bad eminence, while Barnes began with the advantages of birth, breeding and university training."

"I see little to choose between Penrose, servant of the Pennsylvania railroad, leader of the regular republicans in the United States senate and adviser of the administration, and Herrin, the defeated and discredited political manager for the Southern Pacific in California, except this, that Herrin has already been driven from political life, while Penrose soon will be."

Coroner Uncovers Possible Motive for Murder of Dr. Knabe

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 30.—Happenings in the life of Helen Knabe, former state bacteriologist, have been uncovered that might have supplied a motive for her murder, according to the verdict of Coroner Durham filed today. The coroner concludes that Dr. Knabe, who was found dead in her bedroom with her throat cut October 24, did not commit suicide, but was killed by one person or persons unknown. The knife slash that almost severed the young physician's head was delivered by a powerful arm while the victim almost nude was lying on her back on top of her bed, the coroner finds, and he declares that it would have been impossible for her to have struck the blow herself.

"DAKOTA DAN" WILL REOPEN NOTED WILL CASE IN BOSTON

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—The famous Russell will case is to be reopened in Boston. Leslie A. Simpson of Dickinson, N. D., counsel for the North Dakota claimants who claims to be the long-lost son of the late Daniel Russell of Melrose and entitled to a share of the latter's estate, valued at \$100,000, arrived here today to push an appeal to the supreme judicial court from the decision rendered two years ago by Judge Lawton.

This decision in effect held that "Dakota Dan," as the claimant is known, is an impostor and instead of being Daniel Blakely Russell is really James D. Russell of Malone, N. Y.

While "Dakota Dan," through his attorneys, continues his fight for what he claims as his birthright, there is living in the Russell homestead in Melrose a man whom William C. Russell, the oldest son of the testator, has recognized as his long lost brother, Daniel Blakely Russell. This man is familiarly known as "Fresno Dan," having come here near the close of the celebrated will trial from Fresno, Cal., where he had been living under another name.

Heads of Striking Unions Ordered to Come Before Court

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 30.—To answer what they believe is a government prosecution under the Sherman anti-trust law charging them with restraint of trade—the first suit of that nature ever filed against a labor leader in the United States—three officials of the unions whose men are striking for better working conditions on the Hartman lines were today ordered by the government to appear January 1 next in the United States circuit court of the eastern division of Illinois at Danville.

The men summoned were M. P. Ryan, general president of the Railway Carmen of America; J. A. Franklin, international president of the Brotherhood of Boiler-makers; and A. Hinman, vice president of the boiler-makers. The court summons was issued at the order of Judge Wright of the federal district court, and it is approved by Edward D. White, chief justice of the United States.

The original court order is directed against the International Association of Machinists and its president, James O'Connell of Washington, D. C., and was brought by the Illinois Central railroad.

The heads of the other striking unions and about 200 minor officers and employees are named in the summons.

The five big unions that are striking together to prosecute the strike, and local leaders believe that the theory of the railroad is that the combination of the unions is a violation of the Sherman law. This fact the labor leaders deny.

Five Escape Hurt as Auto Hits Car

Four negroes and a white man miraculously escaped injury at 8 o'clock last night when an automobile driven by L. W. Rushing of South Omaha struck a westbound railway mail street car at Eleventh and Douglas streets, Rushing, the only person injured, suffered lacerations of the scalp and chin. His passengers in the automobile, who escaped injury, were Marion Fricco, 208 L. street, South Omaha; Fannie and Charles Bird, 1017 Capitol avenue, and Emma Fisher, 2012 N. street, South Omaha.

Rushing tried to pass in front of the street car, which was going at a rate of about fifteen miles an hour. His car struck the fender of the motor and threw it off the track and up against the curb in front of the city jail, a distance of about fifty feet. Front wheel was torn off the automobile. The impact of the two vehicles failed to stop the engine of the auto, which still was purring when the car came to a stop about fifteen feet from where the accident took place. The front and tail lights still were burning.

The car was owned by Rushing and he was taking the four negroes to South Omaha when the accident occurred. Herman Dunning, the motorman on the mail car, escaped with a slight shaking up.

MEN ACCUSED OF ROBBERY BOUND OVER IN COURT

BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 30.—(Special Telegram)—Clarence Cain and "Dacon" Burroughs, who were arrested at Lincoln last week, were given a hearing in Judge Ellis' court today on the charge of robbing Klein's department store in this city on the night of December 16. They waived preliminary hearing and were bound over to the district court in the sum of \$1,000 each. In default of bail they were remanded to jail.

Some of the stolen goods were found in their possession when they were arrested. They are believed to be connected with the robberies at Steinauer and other towns in this section of the state.

For Uniform Drug Standard.

The use of dangerous chemicals in hair-tonics and cosmetics came in for denunciation by Dr. L. P. Kieber, chief of the drug division of the bureau of chemistry, before the American Chemical society. He declared the standard for drugs should be made uniform and that manufacturers should not have the authority or the power to establish standards of their own.

William Hard of New York in an address before the American Association for Labor Legislation, said that "unemployment is no longer a joke."

"The funny paper jokes about tramps and hoboes are dying out," he said. "For every man who does not want work, there are scores who cannot get work. There are 100,000 more jobs in the industries of New York state in October than there are in January in any year."

WANTS SCIENTIFIC MARRIAGE

Hays Would Classify Peoples of World by Efficiency.

LAWS OF HEREDITY VIOLATED

Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, in Address Before Scientists, Advocates Keeping Record of Relationships.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The classification of all the peoples of the world in a great international census, giving each person a number in a single world series, to the end that the human race may be improved by scientific marriage, was the plan advocated tonight by Assistant Secretary of Agriculture W. M. Hays in an address before the American Breeders' association, one of the organizations making up the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

As a means of improving the heredity of the human family Mr. Hays proposed a classification of all human beings, both as to mental aptitude and genetic efficiency. Based on such knowledge as this census would give, he said, would develop "racial religion" requiring the genetically efficient to produce families larger than the average, and those less efficient to produce families smaller than the average.

The world numbers, said Mr. Hays, would serve to join genealogies into one numerical system so that all relationships could be traced. Each person would have a number or percentage that could be averaged so as to give the genetic or family value of each person.

Nature's Law Overcome.

"Modern science and charity works against the law of the survival of the fittest," he declared, "by keeping alive many persons who inherit weaknesses, such as feeble-mindedness or insanity. By paying attention to genetic efficiency a race may make itself stronger for the economic contests among the races of the world."

The proposed plan would somewhat divide people into classes, but the classification would be beneficial because it would be based on racial efficiency. The wholesome consideration of genetic factors will lead to less divorce, greater temperance and better morals. Raising the average efficiency of the human race probably would also increase the number of geniuses and leaders.

Discussion of the reasons for high prices, the tendency of immigration, the development of better labor conditions and the progress of civic improvements among the various meetings today in the meeting here under the auspices of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Senators Burton, Lodge and Smoot discussed the high cost of living problem. Senator Burton declared that a rising standard of living, an increasing supply of gold and a tardy development of agricultural resources and obsolete and expensive methods of distribution of food and other products were the factors contributing to the higher cost of living.

Prof. Irving Fisher of Yale urged the appointment of an international commission to study the problem.

Success Magazine Fails; Creditors Take Property

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—J. L. Gilbert vice president and treasurer of the National Post company, publishers of Success, a magazine, announced this afternoon that because of lack of funds, it had been decided to suspend publication with the current issue and turn the property over to creditors. The magazine was founded twelve years ago by Dr. O. S. Marden.

Arthur Poe Gorman, who became a distinguished member of the senate from Maryland, was once a page in the senate. Albert F. Dawson of Iowa was long secretary to Senator Allison, and then was elected to the house. Oddly enough, his successor, I. S. Pepper, a democrat, first came to Washington as secretary to Judge M. J. Wade when he represented the Second Iowa district.

Fredrickson Buys an \$80,000 Farm For Summer Home

There are scores who cannot get work. There are 100,000 more jobs in the industries of New York state in October than there are in January in any year.

H. E. Fredrickson, head of the H. E. Fredrickson Automobile company, bought an \$80,000 farm five miles northeast of Council Bluffs yesterday. The farm formerly belonged to Bartlett Richards and consists of 100 acres. Mr. Fredrickson intends to put most of the ground in corn, wheat, alfalfa and oats. He will also plant alfalfa in watermelons and cantaloupes for his own use, as it is his intention to build a summer home on the farm and to do considerable entertaining. He also will grow fruits and berries.

There are at present a house and several outbuildings on the farm. These are to be used by the man in charge, as Mr. Fredrickson intends merely to oversee the work and not to follow the plow around the fields. He is going to put up a large modern summer home.

"I bought this farm," he said, "so I can leave the dusty and dirty streets of the city in summer and go where I can breathe fresh and pure air. I was raised on a farm and I still have the craving for the rural life. Although I am putting most of the farm in grain and alfalfa, I intend to try my hand at raising melons. When I was 14 years old I lived on a farm near Fremont and had the greatest success in raising melons. I intend to see if I can do as well now."

Girl Badly Burned On Hands and Arms

Miss Minnie Koscielski, aged 13 years, 214 North Nineteenth street, received severe burns on her hands and arms when she attempted to put out a fire at 7:30 o'clock last night. Two children, Carl and William Koscielski, who were in the house at the time, escaped uninjured.

The girl was taking care of the children for her brother and shortly after supper went into the parlor with a candle to look for something and the lace curtains on the windows became ignited from the flame. She tried to put the fire out with her hands and her clothing caught fire. The girl became hysterical and ran from the house and up the street. Neighbors rushed to her assistance. They threw her into the snow and wrapped blankets about her until the flames were smothered.

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ALUMNI HONOR DR. BESSEY

Nebraska University Men in Washington Give Luncheon.

MANY COLLEGIANS ATTEND

Number of Prominent Professors Attending Economic Congress Join in Tribute to Dean of Their Alma Mater.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—(Special Telegram.)—Dr. Charles E. Bessey of the University of Nebraska has been the recipient of many courtesies, and attentions from former students of the university now resident in Washington engaged in government employ and others brought here by the season of the economic congress, of which he is president.