CONVERTS HOLD RALLY

Evangelistic Work Shows Results at Carnegie Hall.

ITALIAN GROUP LARGEST

Ex-Convict, Manufacturer, Hobo and Many Children Give Testimony.

Individuals and groups, men and women and children, arose from among the mass of people who crowded Carnegie Hall last night to give testimony and to announce that evangelistic endeavors had brought them new life. It was converts' rally, the climax of the seventh season of evangelistic campaign conducted during the summer by the Evangelistic Committee of New York City, in tents, open air meetings and in shops throughout Manhattan and The Bronx.

Merchant and hobo, an ex-convict, children who have found a welcome occupation during summer months, and folks reunited after long misunderstandings voiced their appreciation of the work done for them.

I. W. Warner, of Raleigh, N. C., who is vice-president of the Coopock-Warner Lumber Company, of Philadelphia, told of the peace of mind he found as a result of attending an open air meeting Saturday night, and his words of joy found a ready and thunderous echo in the assemblage.

There was a young man, hardly twenty-four years old, who was introduced by the Rev. F. E. Smiley as having spent twelve and a half years of his brief life behind prison bars. He joined the church after a meeting in Madison Square, and for the last five weeks he has been an ardent worker at the rallies, Dr. Smiley said, amid cheers. When the young man arose to say a few words he received a welcome that seemed filled with congratulations and encouragement to keep on.

Throughout the hall sat the converts and workers, grouped according to the centres, each tent or open air centre denoted by a small red banner. On the platform were seated the directors of the various departments, the clergy and the laymen evangelists. A choir of five hundred voices sang the hymns.

The Rev. Dr. A. F. Schauffler conducted the services, and the Rev. Dr. A. J. Smith introduced those who had to give testimonials or wished to tell of their experiences. There were 725 meetings held this summer, Dr. Smith said with an attendance of more than three hundred thousand persons. They were held in 99 centres and in nine languages. Meetings particularly designed for children attracted an attendance of almost eighty thousand during 386 rallies.

Of the groups that rose to show the strength of some particular department, the Italian group was the largest, filling almost half of the parquet seats.

"This is our little Italy of The Bronx," said the Rev. Dr. Agide Pirazzini, "and if we are able to continue it and increase the number of those who join us, you need not have fear of bombs; they will be a danger of the past."

Dr. Schauffler announced that Mrs. John S. Kennedy was building a church in Rome with the intention of presenting it to the Waldensian Church of Italy.

HELD FOR WRECKING TRAIN

Four Arrested at Middletown, Conn., by Detectives.

Middletown, Conn., Sept. 11.—On warrants issued by Coroner Davis, Antonio Diorrio, Antonio Spefano, Giacomo Lisi and Alfredo Pecchini, all of this city, were arrested late to-day and are being held on the ground that they were responsible for the wrecking of an express train on the Valley Division of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad four miles from here on the night of August 27, causing the death of Abram P. Brown, of Hartford, and injuries to sixty other passengers. They will be brought before the coroner's inquest on Wednesday.

According to the railroad detectives, a toolhouse of the railroad company in Portland, which is across the Connecticut River from here, was broken into and two wrenches and a claw bar were stolen. The detectives allege that the four men hired a rowboat in Portland and rowed to the scene of the wreck; that while Pecchini stayed in the boat and kept watch the other three took out the spikes from the inside of one of the rails and unbolted a fishplate. One wrench and the bar were found near the wreck. Lisi was formerly in the employ of the road, but had been discharged.

DIEGLE MAY CONFESS AGAIN

Promises to State in Writing All He Knows of Legislative Corruption.

Columbus, Ohio, Sept. 11.—With a three-year sentence hanging over his head for complicity in legislative bribery, Rodney J. Diegle to-day made another promise of confession. He has again told the State's Attorney that he will make a written statement of all he knows concerning legislative corruption. He has been given until next Monday to fulfil his last promise.

Diegle left Columbus last night to prepare his statement, and is being closely watched by state detectives. That Diegle has broken away from his attorneys was indicated by the fact that to-day none of them knew where he was. It was admitted that if his statement is satisfactory to the State's Attorney clemency will be urged in Diegle's case.

MRS. J. M. BORGLUM DEAD

Mother of New York Sculptors Dies at Her Omaha Home.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Omaha, Sept. 11.—Mrs. J. M. Borglum, mother of Solon and Gutzon Borglum, New York sculptors, and widow of Dr. J. M. Borglum, died from a complication of diseases at her apartments in Omaha to-night.

The Borglums were among the early pioneers of Nebraska, Gutzon and Solon growing to manhood in the West without a thought of art. Both were raised on a farm, and here each secured the knowledge of horses which they use so effectively in their work.

IMPROVE RAIL INSPECTION

Lehigh Valley Seeks to Avert Future Accidents by Rigid Rules.

Elmira, N. Y., Sept. 11.—As a result of the wreck at Manchester, N. Y., which cost many lives, the Lehigh Valley Railroad to-day inaugurated a system of instruction for trackmen to aid in the discovery of broken or defective rails.

One hundred and fifty trackwalkers employed between Sayre and Geneva were summoned to Sayre and their eyes were examined. They heard a long lecture on rails and their defects and were sent into the yards to discover rails that had been purposely broken, using magnifying glasses to detect imperfections.

The company purposes to adopt every possible precaution to prevent a repetition of the disaster.

ACCUSED OF EMBEZZLEMENT.

Garrett Voorhees, a ferryman, of No. 273 Fairmount avenue, Jersey City, who has a wife and nine children, was arrested last night, charged with the embezzlement of $2,600 from Sumner Lodge, Independent Order of Fellows. The accuser was the treasurer of the lodge.

BIG STRIKE PREVENTED

Machinists' Board Averts Trouble on Illinois Central.

WITHHOLDS ITS SANCTION

Shopmen's Negotiations with Railroad Officials Not Properly Conducted, It Finds.

Chicago, Sept. 11.—The strike threatened by the shopmen of the Illinois Central Railroad was averted to-day. The labor struggle was threatened because of refusal of the railroad to recognize the system federation of mechanical employes. A reorganization of the federation will be undertaken, when the demand probably will be renewed.

Of chief influence in preventing the strike was the positive refusal of the executive board of the International Association of Machinists, in session to-day at Davenport, Iowa, to authorize the strike on the ground that the system federation had not conducted its negotiations properly with the Illinois Central. Furthermore, it was pointed out that a strike would imperil the working agreements now existing between the railroad and several of the international unions.

The federation officers will address a communication to the shopmen who voted in favor of a strike, setting forth the objections and recommendations of the international unions.

The federation officials were informed that the method of procedure in demanding recognition from the Illinois Central was in violation of the thirty-day notice clauses in the contracts between the international unions represented and the railroad. It was concluded, therefore, to reorganize the shopmen's federation along new lines and to proceed in conformity with agreements so that the support of the international unions may be procured.

LABOR LEADERS SPEAK

Kline Says Harriman Lines Must Recognize Federation.

Los Angeles, Sept. 11.—Hundreds of railroad shop workers and members of labor unions gathered to-night to hear addresses by Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, and J. W. Kline, of the International Blacksmiths and Helpers' Union, and the latter's associates on the committee which recently conferred in San Francisco with Julius Kruttschnitt, of the Harriman system.

Speaking of the demands made by the organized shop crafts, Mr. Kline insisted the railroads must recognize the federation of shop employes. A strike was the last resort, he said, for the interests of an innocent public were involved. Therefore, he hoped that railroad managers would "see the light" and agree to further conferences in which mutual concessions might be effected on points aside from the recognition of the shop federation.

JULIUS KRUTTSCHNITT HERE

No Change in Labor Situation on Harriman Lines, He Says.

Julius Kruttschnitt, vice-president and director of maintenance and operation of the Union Pacific and other roads of the Harriman system, arrived in New York yesterday afternoon from San Francisco.

Mr. Kruttschnitt said that he knew of no change in the labor situation on the Harriman system and had had no direct advices since leaving San Francisco regarding the threatened strike of the shopmen.

IRON WORK STRIKE SPREADS

Finishers Engaged on Several Buildings Join the Movement.

The finishers, who are members of Local 52 of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, went on strike yesterday on several buildings on which Lieberman & Sanford, one of the two members of the Employers' Association of Architectural Iron Workers in whose shops the inside iron workers are on strike, have the contract for erecting the work made in the shops.

The largest of the buildings affected is the new Vanderbilt Hotel, 33d street and Fourth avenue, which was to be completed in October. It was reported that Rubin & Rubin, the other firm against which the inside iron workers are on strike, have filled the places of the strikers in their shops. The finishers erect the architectural iron work made in the shops.

MILK STRIKE ON IN BOSTON

Drivers Ask Wage Increases, Days Off and Yearly Vacations.

Boston, Sept. 11.—Hundreds of families went without milk for breakfast to-day in this city, owing to the first strike here of milk wagon drivers. Almost two hundred employes of three of the largest milk distributers of Boston stopped work. The men who struck are employed by D. Whiting & Sons, the O. Brigham Company and the Elm Farm Milk Company.

The strikers say they will not return to work until the firms agree to the wage and working rules granted by the H. P. Hood & Sons Company, which provide for $18 a week for the drivers, $15 a week for new men for the first three months, one day off a month and at least one week's vacation each year.

Restaurants, hotels and steamship companies were the chief sufferers of the strike. They received supplies, however, during the forenoon.

TOADSTOOLS KILL TWO MORE

Connecticut and New Jersey Each Furnish a Victim—Others Ill.

Bristol, Conn., Sept. 11.—Mrs. Dominic Cappucci will die and her husband and Angelo Fico are critically ill from eating toadstools, which they mistook for mushrooms. The fungi were picked in the fields yesterday by the two men.

A victim of toadstool poisoning, Michael J. Thorn, a builder, died at his home, No. 45 Kossuth street, Newark, yesterday. His daughter Dorothy, fifteen years old, is critically ill from a like cause. The father and daughter visited friends at Richfield on Saturday and while there ate the fungi, which had been gathered by mistake for mushrooms.

BRONX YOUNGSTER "HOOKED"

Isn't Kidnapped, but Crashes Into Cripple, and Gets Hurt.

Robert McDermott, an eleven-year-old boy, was running up Willis avenue, The Bronx, yesterday, when he butted into William Hunter, who put out his arms to lessen the impact. Unfortunately, Hunter's arms are merely stumps, to which are attached steel hooks. One of the hooks gashed the boy, as Dr. Preston, of Lincoln Hospital, afterward found, near an artery in the right arm.

A crowd formed and a youngster found Patrolman Dolan. "A man just 'hooked' a fellow at the corner of 133d street and Willis avenue," gasped the lad.

The patrolman thought a child had been kidnapped, and ran to the next block. He turned in an ambulance call.

THE BEGINNING OF A DREADNOUGHT.

W. P. Cluverius, jr., son of Lieutenant Commander W. P. Cluverius, U. S. N., and grandson of Rear Admiral Sampson, fastening the first bolt in the keel plate of the battleship New York.

WORK BEGINS ON NEW YORK

Admiral Sampson's Grandson Puts Bolt in Battleship's Keel.

Formally beginning the construction of a battleship which will be obsolete probably long before he attains his majority, W. P. Cluverius, four years old, fastened the first bolt in the keel of the battleship New York at the navy yard in Brooklyn yesterday afternoon. The little fellow is the son of Lieutenant Commander W. P. Cluverius and a grandson of Rear Admiral Sampson.

Seven other boys, all but one sons of naval officers, were in the party, and each placed a bolt where it belonged. They were W. C. Frothingham, son of General John B. Frothingham, representing the army; W. E. Burd, son of Captain G. E. Burd, head of the steam engineering department; C. W. Eliason, jr., son of Paymaster Eliason; R. M. Stocker, jr., son of Naval Constructor Stocker; T. W. and "Jack" Ryan, sons of General Storekeeper Ryan, and J. E. Bailey, jr., son of Naval Constructor Bailey, who will be in immediate charge of the work of construction.

There were not many persons present, and the ceremonies consisted of a few words by Rear Admiral Leutze, commandant of the station, and music by the yard band. Congressmen Calder and Fitzgerald, who are credited with much of the work in Congress which brought the big job to the home yard, were present, but made no remarks.

When the first plates had been bolted down the youngsters who had started the work nailed a silver horseshoe to a board at the head of the ways, and under the token of good luck is this inscription:

U. S. BATTLESHIP NO. 34.
KEEL LAID SEPT. 11, 1911.
LENGTH, 573 FEET.
BREADTH, 95 FEET 2¾ INCHES.
DISPLACEMENT, 27,000 TONS.
MEAN DEPTH, 28 FEET 6 INCHES.

The building of the New York at the Brooklyn yard means the disbursement of millions of dollars in and near New York, as outside of her armament she is expected to cost more than $6,000,000. She will be a sister ship of the Utah, now building at Newport News, and will have a speed of twenty-one knots, and besides her main battery of fourteen-inch rifles will carry four submerged torpedo tubes and a secondary battery of twenty-one five-inch guns.

DELAWARE LEADS THUS FAR

Battleship Now Has Best Record for Target Firing in Atlantic Fleet.

Norfolk, Va., Sept. 11.—The final week of the autumnal manœuvres and war game of the Atlantic fleet off this coast opened to-day with misty weather and trying conditions for the long range target firing, which some of the ships have yet to complete. The battleships Virginia and Nebraska, which put to sea again on Sunday after coaling, resumed practice to-day, while the battleships Connecticut, North Dakota, Vermont and Missouri came into Hampton Roads from the drill grounds for coal and other supplies. These ships will return later to the drill grounds.

The battleship Delaware is declared to lead thus far in target firing, with the Vermont a close second.

BATTLESHIP UTAH AT NAVY YARD.

The battleship Utah, Captain William S. Benson, sister ship to the Florida, arrived at the navy yard yesterday afternoon for her final fitting out, which will include the installation of a new style revolving conning tower. She will be at the yard about a month, and it is hoped to have the Florida completed by the time her sister gets away to sea again.

STAND UNDER BRIDGE RENTED

Greek Florist Is Said to Have Obtained the $8,000 Privilege.

The work of erecting a stand on the site under the City Hall approach to Brooklyn Bridge, vacant since last winter, when Park Commissioner Stover had so much trouble with a former tenant that he chopped down his stand, was begun yesterday.

The rental of the place was in the neighborhood of $8,000 a year. According to the Park Commissioner, a much larger figure was refused in the belief that a stand was a hindrance to the crowds. Recently the Bureau of Municipal Research criticised the Commissioner for not renting the space again.

It was said last night that the new stand, which is much smaller than the former one, will be used for the sale of flowers and is owned by a Greek.

STATE INCREASES CAVALRY ARM.

Albany, Sept. 11.—Adjutant General Verbeck issued orders to-day organizing Troops B, of Albany, and D, of Syracuse, as a squadron to be known as the Third Squadron Cavalry, National Guard, New York. Captain Harry S. Richmond, commander of Troop B, is designated for appointment as major. The organization of the Third Squadron will make it possible to unite three squadrons into a regiment should occasion require.

AT WORK REAPPORTIONING

Committee Holds First Session—Charter Makers Also Meet.

According to Senator Frawley, chairman of the joint legislative committee on reapportionment, the work of that committee not only is to be done strictly in accordance with the law, but will be the essence of fairness to all concerned.

The committee had its first regular session at the Hotel Knickerbocker yesterday afternoon and went over the maps with great care. The Republican members of the committee were prepared to protest against giving all the six new districts in the state to this city. The Democrats replied that they were not going to put all of these districts in this city alone, but that the six would be crowded in below the northern line of Westchester County. One district will be composed of a part of that county and a part of The Bronx.

"In laying out the districts in Manhattan," said Senator Frawley, "we are going to do just what has been announced. We shall carve out straight territories by slicing the island from east to west. Of course, where Central Park intervenes we will have to put one district wholly on the West Side. That and another district north of it will be fairly sure Republican districts, I should think."

One district will be made up of Suffolk, Nassau and a part of Queens County. The remainder of Queens will go in with a part of Kings to make up one of the two new districts in that county. No part of Queens County will be in a Manhattan district, as at present. Richmond will be tacked on to the district in the lower end of Manhattan, as at present.

In Kings County it is said that the Democrats think it will be a great piece of generalship to place in the same district Naval Officer Kracke and Congressman Calder, who at present are enjoying a sort of a dual Republican leadership in Brooklyn. For some years Mr. Kracke has controlled one Congress district and the Congressman another—the one he represents in Congress. The Democrats hope by putting them in the same district to arouse jealousy and strife between the two leaders.

The committee busied itself yesterday for the most part on the upstate problem. It is the intention of the Democrats, although they do not acknowledge it, to do as much as possible to harass and break up the Republican lines upstate.

Senator Frawley said the committee expected to have its work done by Friday, at the latest.

The joint legislative committee on the charter was working in other apartments in the same hotel. Senator Cullen, the chairman, said it would make no changes other than those already announced before the Legislature reconvenes. It is understood, however, that the Brooklyn members of the Legislature have served notice that they will not support a charter which gives the Mayor such broad powers of veto and provides for a paid Board of Education.

Assemblyman Foley, of the charter committee, had a long talk with Mayor Gaynor yesterday morning before the latter started for Albany. He told the Mayor he hoped to have the charter as revised ready for the Mayor's perusal by to-morrow or Thursday, at the latest.

SURVIVES CARBOLIC ACID

Girl Who Drank It by Mistake Saved by Patrolman's Work.

Once upon a time Patrolman Seagel, of the West 47th street station, saw a doctor give an emetic to a man who drank carbolic acid. Seagel remembered this last night when Mrs. Lillie Gillens, of No. 356 West 43d street, ran to him crying that her niece had taken cadbolic acid. Seagel hurried to a drug store, went back to the Gillenes house and forced a drug down the throat of Miss Rita Barnum, who was writhing in pain on the bathroom floor.

By the time Dr. Andrews got there with an ambulance from Flower Hospital the girl was in good shape and in another half hour she was able to go to her own home, at No. 507 Eighth avenue. Thanks to Seagel, she got off with nothing more than a pair of burned lips.

She is an eighteen-year-old stenographer. She went to her aunt's home last night, and while there was seized with cramps, due to some pigs' feet she had eaten. She went into the bathroom to take some "cholera cure," she said, but in the dark got hold of the carbolic acid. The police decided there was no attempt at suicide.

FALL OF HUGE HAILSTONES

Cubes Measuring 7 1-2 Inches in Circumference Damage Crops.

La Crosse, Wis., Sept. 11.—Hail, some of it measuring 7½ inches in circumference, fell here to-day. Crops yet unharvested suffered seriously. Many windows were broken in stores and houses here.

Minneapolis, Sept. 11.—A heavy rain, which did immense good to late crops, brought with it to-day the first hail of the season in this section of Minnesota, and many windows in Minneapolis were shattered. Fruit growers in the neighborhood of Excelsior report heavy loss.

HITCH IN SEWAGE PLAN

New Jersey Delays Agreement as to Passaic Project.

NEW SUIT IS THREATENED

Resident of This State Says He May Bring Action That Will Hold Up the Work.

A serious hitch, that made New York's representatives wonder whether New Jersey was sincere in her offer to compromise the suit brought against her in the United States Supreme Court to prevent the carrying out of the Passaic Valley Sewage Commission's plans, developed yesterday in the efforts of the representatives of the two states to come to an understanding. One of the men who have been active in the fight against the pollution of New York's waters since the beginning of the trouble, in 1903, declared last night that if worst came to worst a taxpayer's suit would be brought in the Supreme Court of the United States to enjoin New Jersey from constructing the Passaic Valley sewer.

It was when the hearing before Special Commissioner James D. Maher, adjourned last Tuesday in order that the two states might discuss the offer of arbitration made by New Jersey, was resumed in the aldermanic chamber in the City Hall yesterday morning that the hitch came to the surface. The committee of three experts from each side which had been appointed to settle the technical differences preparatory to the drawing up of the definite agreement by the lawyers, reported that it had been unable to reach an agreement. The New Jersey representatives asked for more time and the hearing had to be set over for another week. New York's forces look upon this as the first step on the part of New Jersey toward backing down from her proposition, acording to The Tribune's informant.

"Ever since the sewage matter began, in 1903," he said last night, "New Jersey has always been unwilling to treat with us. Whenever the attempt was made and things seemed to be progressing favorably, something always happened that made New Jersey retire. The situation now looks very much like bad faith to me. I should like to give the Jersey lawyers credit for being sincere in the matter. Perhaps it is the persons back of them who think New York will give in.

"But New York won't. She is going to fight this matter through to the end, and if the present action fails in its purpose I myself will bring a taxpayer's suit in the Supreme Court to prevent Jersey from dumping millions of gallons of filth every day into our front yard. I can do that because I own property in the section through which the sewer is to pass, though I am not a resident there."

He would base his suit, the speaker continued, on the ground that the tunnel under Newark Bay and out to Robbins Reef was a needless expense. If he could force the state to end its sewer in its own bay it would doubtless show more eagerness to purify the sewage. However, he observed, he would not care what happened to the sewage so long as it did not empty into New York Bay.

"Such a suit," The Tribune's informant went on, "would hold up the building of the sewer another four or five years, if it did no more than that. By that time we hope sanitation and public opinion will have advanced so that there will be no question about their purifying the sewage. Another point in our favor is the fact that five of the twenty municipalities with which the Passaic Valley Commission was to contract have refused to sign up, leaving a burden which the remaining fifteen may be reluctant to bear."

The immediate cause of the hitch, it was said, was New Jersey's determination to base her agreement with New York on her own contract with the federal government, by which she agreed to filter her sewage so that it would not obstruct navigation in New York Bay. New York was not willing to accept this proposal because of the many loopholes in the contract by which New Jersey might evade it.

BARS BEULAH BINFORD

License Bureau Prohibits Pictures of Beattie Case.

No moving pictures or stereopticon views of Beulah Binford or any other character connected with the Beattie murder trial may be shown in this city, according to a ruling of James G. Wallace, jr., chief of the Mayor's Bureau of Licenses. He sent notice yesterday to each of the hundreds of proprietors of shows in this city that pictures of scenes during the trial of persons connected with the case, who are depending for advertising on their connection with the trial, are condemned for the reason that they are unfit to be shown in places of public amusement.

The showing of any such pictures will be followed by a revocation or suspension of the license of the person violating the order.

Mr. Wallace said he was acting under the code of ordinances which makes it discretionary with him to revoke or suspend the license of any place that he deems to be improperly conducted.

Mr. Wallace had a talk with the Mayor before the latter went to Syracuse and his action was announced later. It is remembered that when certain clergymen made a protest against the exhibition here of films of the Johnson-Jeffries fight the Mayor declared in effect that he could not suppress the pictures without violating the law.

Detroit, Sept. 11.—Mayor Thompson to-night issued an order forbidding the reproduction in Detroit of moving pictures of the Beattie murder trial or the pictures for which Beulah Binford recently posed.

Jacksonville, Fla., Sept. 11.—After reading protests from five thousand women, Mayor Jordan to-day stopped the exhibition of the Beattie murder trial pictures at a local moving picture house. Protests were filed by several women's clubs.

BEATTIE IN MERRY MOOD

Joins Guards at Chesterfield Jail in Singing.

Richmond, Va., Sept. 11.—Between puffs of the perpetual cigarette, Henry Clay Beattie, jr., who has been sentenced to die in the electric chair on November 24, was last night the gayest of a gay trio of singers at the Chesterfield County jail.

Hearing two of his guards singing in the courthouse yard, a short distance away, he called through the bars: "Come over here, boys, and let me join in with you." Beattie's clear tenor rose high above the voices of his companions.

FILMS INSPIRED HOMICIDE

After Motion Picture Show Boy Got Revolver and Killed a Man.

Pittsburgh, Sept. 11.—Pleading guilty to voluntary manslaughter and explaining that he decided to get a revolver after seeing a series of Western scenes in a moving picture theatre, Patrick Sullivan, fifteen years old, who shot and killed Robert Boyce, forty years old, several months ago, was to-day sentenced to the Huntington reformatory.

The lad shot Boyce when ordered from the Boyce yard.

RICE MILLS IN MERGER.

New Orleans, Sept. 11.—Twenty-eight of the forty-six rice mills in Louisiana have been merged into the Louisiana State Rice Milling Company, with an authorized capitalization of $9,500,000, according to a charter published to-day. This merger is the outgrowth of a smaller organization started last March with eighteen mills.

CITY ACCUSED OF FRAUD

Pennsylvania Man Wants Rochester Government Investigated.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Rochester, Sept. 11.—Charges of fraud and conspiracy against the city government are contained in a petition for relief that T. A. Y. Hodgson, of Bowmanstown, Penn., has filed with Governor Dix. Hodgson asks the Governor and the Legislature to investigate the "extraordinary conditions" existing here.

The charges are based on the alleged fact that the city resorts to condemnation proceedings in order to secure commissioners favorable to it, who fix valuations considerably below the actual worth of the property. He also says that if condemnation proceedings are not resorted to, the city plans extensive and expensive improvements close to a parcel of land it desires to secure, and the assessments for the same are so heavy that the owner is unable to meet them on unimproved property, and eventually loses the land through default of payment. He further charges that the tax rate as published is false.

CHILD'S DEATH A MYSTERY

Coroner's Jury Says Unknown Persons Killed Annie Lemberger.

Madison, Wis., Sept. 11.—"Little Annie Lemberger came to her death at the hands of unknown parties."

This was the verdict of the Coroner's jury which conducted an investigation to-day into the mystery of the abduction and murder of the seven-year-old girl whose body was found Saturday in Lake Monona. Coroner Lynch is said to be convinced he has a clew which may lead to the arrest of the guilty person or persons. He will not divulge his information, however. No one, so far, is being held by the police.

Mr. and Mrs. Lemberger and their son, George, parents and brother of the murdered child, and Mrs. John A. Johnson, a neighbor, were examined at length by the jury. The Lembergers held to the same story they have told since the girl disappeared. They testified that the girl went to bed Tuesday night at 9:30 o'clock, and when they awoke at 5:30 o'clock Wednesday morning, they found Annie, who had been sleeping by the side of her younger sister, had disappeared. They said there had been no trouble with the child and they were puzzled by her abduction.

Mrs. John A. Johnson, who lives near the Lembergers, and whose husband had been questioned by the police, said she knew nothing that would help clear up the mystery.

STATE'S DEATH RATE FALLS

Reports for July Show That Typhoid Alone Is on the Increase.

Albany, Sept. 11.—The general health of New York, as shown by the reports of epidemic diseases and the deaths resulting therefrom to the State Department of Health, made public to-day, was exceptionally good during July. Typhoid fever was the only disease which appeared to be on the increase. Notwithstanding the excessive heat and humidity during July, the total number of deaths from all causes was decreased by 438 from the corresponding month last year, although the population of the state has increased more than five hundred thousand.

It was expected that large numbers of infants would succumb when the weather was extremely hot, but the deaths during July of children under one year numbered 2,560, as compared with 2,436 during July, 1910. The percentage of lessened infant mortality is greater in the cities than in the rural districts.

The annual conference of health officers will be held in New York City on October 25-27.

NO PAROLE ASKED FOR MORSE

He Has Not Yet Served the Necessary Part of His Term in Prison.

Washington, Sept. 11.—The federal parole board will meet to-morrow at the Atlanta Penitentiary. About one hundred applications for parole will be considered before the board goes to Leavenworth, where it meets on September 15, to hear the application of John R. Walsh.

No application will be presented at Atlanta to-morrow in behalf of Charles W. Morse, as he has not served the required portion of his sentence.

CLARK WELCOMED HOME

Speaker's Constituents Make a Feast to Greet Him.

ALL PIKE COUNTY THERE

Good Things to Eat and Philosophy from the Hero of the Day.

Louisiana, Mo., Sept. 11.—Champ Clark, Speaker of the House of Representatives, was entertained to-day by his home folk. All Pike County and the greater part of the population of the 9th Missouri Congress District joined to make his home-coming from Washington an epoch in Missouri history.

Mr. Clark landed here from a steamboat thirty-six years ago, a young attorney from Kentucky, and through all these years he has made an acquaintance which is legion and loyal. So when it came to preparations for the home-coming no one could be considered uninterested, and arrangements were made on a non-partisan basis, Republicans as well as Democrats being placed on the committees.

Next to Mr. Clark's address, which was the biggest thing on the programme, was the basket dinner, the main feature of which was home fried chicken. Four hundred housewives provided as many well filled baskets. The gastronomical climax was one hundred home grown watermelons cooled to the proper degree for dessert.

Mr. Clark in his speech told of beginning his Missouri experience by teaching school thirty-six years ago.

"I came to Louisiana, Mo.," he said, "on $10 borrowed, the first time I ever saw him, from Judge H. H. Priest, now an eminent lawyer of St. Louis and then struggling along as City Attorney of Moberly. And that is not the last time I have borrowed from Missourians."

He made a plea for more politics and politicians, saying, in part:

It is constantly asserted by the unthinking that we have too much politics and too many politicians. When we reflect that the word "politics" in its higher and nobler sense means the science of government we must concede that the more politics we have the better, for government affects the happiness and prosperity of every resident between the two oceans, and therefore we should all strive to make our governments, national, state and municipal, as nearly perfect as any human institution can be.

Instead of there being too many politicians, there are not enough. In a country whose institutions are based upon popular suffrage every man should be a politician, and every man owes a portion of his time, energy and talents to the service of the state. I do not mean by that that every man should run for office. That is a poor business at best—poor when you succeed—inexpressibly poor when you fail. I have been tried by both extremes of fortune and speak by the card on that subject.

What I do mean is that every citizen should, so far as in him lies, study the problems which confront us, and help, so far as he can, to solve them for the betterment of government, the improvement of society and the perpetuity of the Republic. If need be, he should become a candidate for office as a duty to his country and his kind.

It is the duty of every citizen to attend both the primaries and the general election, to the end that good and capable men may be selected. The man who fails to do that, except for valid reasons, falls short of living up to his privileges and of assuming his fair proportion of the governmental burden. Neglecting that, he is estopped from setting up a lugubrious howl about the unfitness of officials and the corruption of politics.

Mr. Clark said he believed that honest and upright politicians were the rule and not the exception in America, and closed as follows:

I do not believe for one moment that the country is going to what Mr. Mantalini was wont to denominate as "the demnition bow-wows." I am an optimist, not a pessimist. It is better to look upon the bright side of things than the dark. A jubilate is more pleasant music than a miserere. It surely must be that 92,000,000 Americans, habituated to free institutions, will not permit those institutions to perish from the earth.

It is a great and glorious privilege to be a Missourian, but the greatest and most glorious privilege vouchsafed to us is to be Americans, with all the proud recollections, fond hopes and high aspirations of Americans.

Illinois and Iowa, as well as Missouri, were represented in the celebration.

The Guest of the Heart's Desire

What should this guest be—Love or Ambition? The answer is given in our next Sunday Magazine in a story that is sure to be heard from when the votes are counted next February in our $10,000 short story contest.

Eileen Moretta

is the author. She has other stories in the contest; but many persons, especially theatrical folk, will like this best of all.

Mary E. Wilkins Freeman

is one of four others who will also have contest stories in the next number. "A Corner in Lilies" is the best story she has written for a long time.

E. F. Benson

the famous English writer, enters "The Yellow Ticket," a powerful, dramatic tale of love and anarchy.

Roy L. McCardell

the humorist, enters "The Dessert Island." It relates how a man lives for six weeks on a gigantic floating island of rice pudding.

El Comancho

which is the pseudonyme of W. S. Phillips, a well-known Western writer, enters a clever little tale called "The Story of Little Lady."

Besides these stories there will be articles by René Bache and Mary Proctor, and "National Topliners" by James Hay, Jr.,

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