

MOLINE'S SECTION OF THE ARGUS

Day's News Happenings in Rock Island's Sister City

TWOMASKEDMEN HOLD UP CREW OF FOURTH AVE. CAR

Forty-five Dollars in Cash and \$40 Gold Watch Reward Their Enterprise.

MAKE A CLEAN GETAWAY

Conductor and Motorman Eating Lunch at Moline End of Line When Accosted.

Boarding a Fourth avenue car at the end of the line in Moline last night, two highwaymen held up the members of the crew, took \$45 in cash and a gold watch, valued at \$40, and made their escape.

Conductor McCartney and Motorman C. S. Turner had completed a run to the east end of the line at Fifteenth avenue and Twenty-seventh street about 5 o'clock and were eating lunch, having a few moments before it was time for them to start on their return.

Conductor McCartney had just opened his mouth to annex a generous section of sandwich when his eye fell upon the business end of a big revolver which had been thrust under his nose.

Instantly he forgot the pangs of hunger, forgot even that his mouth was open and that he held a sandwich in his hand.

SEARCH ONLY ONE. Meantime Motorman Turner was having about the same experience with the other bandit. Both car men were ordered to elevate their hands, which they did, and one of the strangers went through McCartney's pockets, getting \$25 of his cash and \$10 in change collected for the company.

MASK SLIPS OFF. Both bandits were young, the victims of the hold-up say. They wore white handkerchiefs over their faces, but one of the masks slipped off and the features of the wearer were revealed so plainly that the conductor and motorman believe they could identify him if they ever saw him again.

LABOR EVANGELIST COMES

Rev. D. L. Schultz Will Hold Meetings at First Baptist.

Announcement is made that arrangements have been concluded by the Baptists for the coming to Moline of Rev. D. L. Schultz, the labor evangelist, who will hold a series of meetings at the First Baptist church, beginning Nov. 23.

FACES SUIT OVER PAVING ON 15TH

City's Demand for Settlement for Poor Asphalt Ignored by Company.

Unless some response is received from the Chicago contracting concern which laid the Fifteenth street asphalt paving by next Monday the city will enter suit on the guarantee bond of the company.

One year ago the 10-year guarantee given by the company expired and prior to that time some repairs were made. However, the paving has never given satisfaction and the city has obtained no satisfaction from its demands for reparation.

ILLINI WORK HARD FOR INDEPENDENTS

The Illini propose to give the Rock Island Independents the best that is in them in the football game scheduled at Browning field next Sunday.

PATRIARCHS MILITANT TO CONSIDER CANTON TRIP

A special meeting of caisson No. 66 Patriarchs Militant, will be held this evening to decide whether the lodge will attend the state convention at Canton, Ill., next Tuesday.

GEORGE C. VERNER COUNTY C. E. HEAD

Christian Endeavor Convention at Second Congregation Well Attended.

MANY OUTSIDE DELEGATES

R. A. Walker, Field Secretary of Indiana, One of the Leading Speakers.

Good attendance and marked interest characterized the county convention of the Christian Endeavor held at the Second Congregational church in this city yesterday.

Recording Secretary—Miss Mildred Richmond, Geneseo. Corresponding Secretary—Alfred Anderson, Geneseo. Treasurer—Miss Berdena Lees, Coal Valley.

HEAR INDIANA MAN.

R. A. Walker, field secretary of Indiana, was the leading speaker at the evening session. He urged the use of salesmanship methods in spreading the gospel.

FIRST AND SECOND CHURCHES MAY JOIN

Consolidation of the First and Second Methodist churches is being discussed by the two congregations as a result of the death of the veteran pastor of the latter, Rev. J. S. Cumming.

"TWO DOWN IN NINTH" IS THEME

Rev. Loyal M. Thompson, Silvis Pastor, Will Deliver Baseball Sermon.

"Two Down in the Ninth" is to be the subject of a sermon to be delivered by Rev. Loyal M. Thompson, pastor of the Silvis Methodist church, on the evening of Sunday, Oct. 19.

OBJECTS TO PAYING OUT ALL HIS CASH FOR FINE

John Larson was arrested last night for intoxication. This morning Police Magistrate Gustafson fined him \$4.80. John objected to paying. "It ain't right," said he, "I have to work hard for my money. I spent part of it for something to drink and now I have to give up the rest of it for getting drunk."

WILL ESTABLISH A HARBOR LIMIT

Line from Thirty-fourth Street East to City Limits to Be Marked.

A harbor line along the river from Thirty-fourth street east to the city limits will be established by United States engineers at once.

LOCAL HOSPITAL FARM IS WINNER

Eight Premiums Captured by Watertown Live Stock at State Fair.

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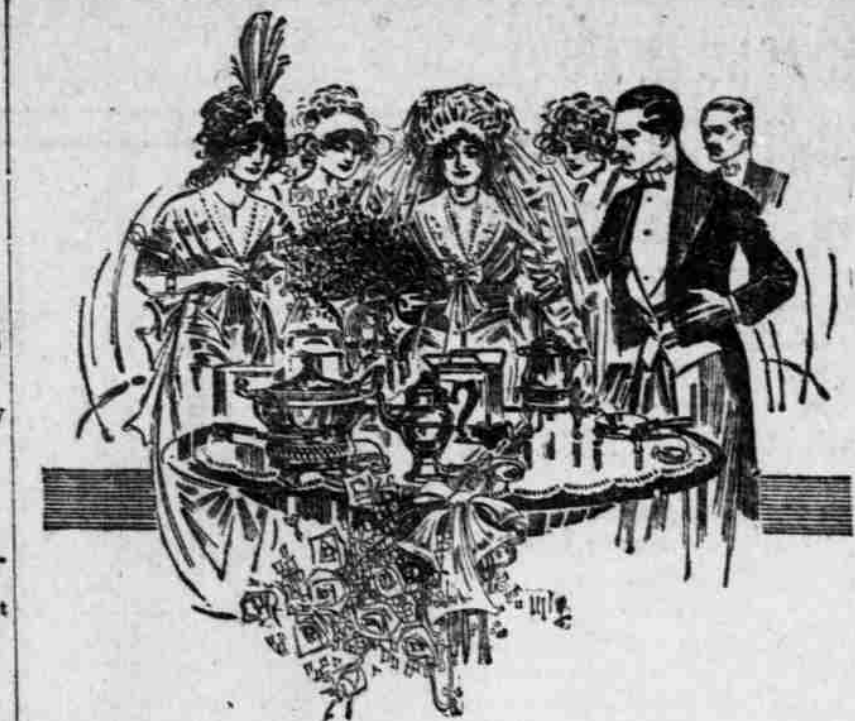
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OLYMPICS ARE HAPPY OVER THEIR VICTORY

Members of the Olympic club last evening celebrated the victory last Sunday over the Illini on the football field and installed the recently elected officers.

President—Carl Adolphson. Vice president—Harry Johnson. Recording secretary—Bern Peterson. Treasurer—Lud Forslund.

TAVENNER FLAYS FOSS PROPOSITION

BY GILSON GARDNER. (Special Correspondence of The Argus.)

Washington, Oct. 9.—That the threat made by Governor Foss of Massachusetts to call the legislature in special session to enact a law prohibiting strikes is a direct attack on a fundamental right of workmen which has been recognized by the courts.

Representative David J. Lewis of Maryland, chairman of the committee on labor of the house, and himself a union man, is of the opinion that should Governor Foss obtain any such legislation, such a law would unquestionably be set aside by the courts.

"I assume," said Mr. Lewis, "that Governor Foss has not had the benefit of legal training, and that his mental reaction is naturally one of impatience with the kind of warfare which means injury to the members of the community, and he overlooks the fact that the right to strike is a basic right which has been admitted in practically all courts, and especially so in the commonwealth of Massachusetts."

"As far back as 1830," continued Lewis, "Englishmen with the same mental attitude secured a statute providing that 'able-bodied persons within the age of three-score years should not be permitted to leave their convenient service.' However, in the Massachusetts case of Pickert vs. Walsh, Judge Loring states that: 'In the earlier days of the colony the government undertook to control the conduct of labor and business to some extent. But later this policy of regulation was abandoned and all citizens were left free to pursue their calling whether of labor or business as seemed to them best. This common law was raised to the dignity of a constitutional right by being incorporated in the

constitution of the commonwealth. In view of this decision and the statement of Judge Loring, it would hardly seem necessary to go any further into the question," continued Lewis. "The right to strike is clearly upheld and there are quite a number of decisions in other states to the same effect. Men have an unquestioned right to organize and strike so long as such strike is not malicious or purely obstructive. If they strike to benefit themselves and not to injure their employers or others they are within their legal rights. There is an unbroken line of decisions holding this way in practically every court in the country."

Representative Clyde H. Tavenner of Illinois, who represents a constituency which includes thousands of workmen, points out the very significant fact that Governor Foss's proposed action follows closely the lines of a similar proposition made by Henry R. Towne, president of the Yale and Towne Manufacturing company and a member of the National Association of Manufacturers. Mr. Towne's attitude, which is nothing short of remarkable, was brought out during the lobby investigation bearings. In a private letter written by him to James A. Emery, general counsel of the N. A. M., Towne put forward this proposition:

"I have long held and expressed the opinion that the only complete and adequate protection of the public against intolerable oppression by organized labor in the case of public service and public utility corporations will consist in legislation whereby employment in the service of such corporations will be put on a quasi-military footing, that is will involve 'enlistment,' either in the form which now applies to the army and navy, or in the form which now applies to the police and fire departments under municipal

government. Such service is voluntary, not compulsory, and no fair argument can be advanced against imposing conditions reasonably needed for the protection of the public welfare or individuals who voluntarily seek to engage in such service.

"A strike by enlisted men would be mutiny, the punishment for which, of course, should be fixed by law. Coincidentally with legislation of this kind, I would hope to see legislation providing ample safeguards for the protection of all just rights of the enlisted men, including the right of petition for the redress of grievances, with adequate provision for the obtaining of redress wherever justified."

Congressman Tavenner, who first dug up and gave some publicity to the Towne letter, commented on the matter today as follows:

"Governor Foss's proposition follows closely the plan for subjugating labor that Towne has in mind. In answering questions put by Senator Reed on the witness stand, Mr. Towne declared that he expects to live to see his proposition enacted into law. Governor Foss proposes to put it into law. Mr. Towne estimated that 5,000,000 wageworkers would be included in his scheme of enlistment subject to punishment as mutiny in case of strikes. The argument advanced by Mr. Towne that 'service is voluntary, not compulsory,' is fictitious. No labor is voluntary; all labor is compulsory, since self-respecting men must labor to live and must accept the jobs which are offered.

"Unlucky men who read this letter and then read of Governor Foss's proposition to actually put it into concrete form, should ask themselves if there is anything standing between them and the condition Mr. Towne expects to see during his lifetime except the labor union."

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