

THE RITCHIES ARE IN CLOVER

Cornell Estate and Burke Litigation Ended.

A Splendid Mansion May Be Built In Tallmadge.

Following the settlement of litigation between the Ritchies and Chas. W. Bingham, as administrator of the estate of the late Senator Henry B. Payne, of Cleveland, comes the announcement that the litigation between the Ritchies and Judge Stevenson Burke, of Cleveland, and Chas. Baird, as administrator of the estate of the late T. W. Cornell, has also been settled.

According to announcements relating to the three settlements, the Ritchies have recovered stocks, bonds and securities aggregating \$3,000,000. In the case of Bingham, he surrendered stocks and bonds amounting to \$1,800,000 and received from the Ritchies \$175,000 cash; Chas. Baird, as administrator of the Cornell estate, is said to have turned over to Mrs. Sophronia J. Ritchie stocks and bonds amounting to \$900,000 and received from Mrs. Ritchie \$52,000 in payment of a balance due two heirs of the estate and about \$16,000 of taxes paid by the estate upon the securities surrendered.

Judge Stevenson Burke is said to have surrendered stocks and bonds amounting to \$300,000. Litigation in these cases, all of which seem to have been untied by various interests, has continued for 12 years, and it is said that court records in the case cover over 5,000 pages. The trouble seems to have started originally over certain stocks and bonds said to have been given by the Ritchies to the other parties as securities for financial accommodations. The stocks and

bonds figuring in the case represented interests in the Canadian Copper Co., the Anglo-American Iron Co., and the Central Ontario Railway Co.

All suits between all these parties have been dismissed and all judgments and all claims of each against the other concluded in all the courts in which they figured in both the United States and Canada.

The Central Ontario railway, a road 126 miles long, running from Picton to Bancroft, Ontario, by the terms of settlement passes to the control of the Ritchies, and steps have been taken toward a transfer of the property.

Extensive deposits of iron and copper ore have been found along the line of this railway. Mr. Ritchie stated Monday that the road would be extended 40 miles, to tap other deposits of ore and that it will also pass through some rich timber land. By this extension the Central Ontario road will be connected with the Canada Atlantic railway, at Whitney Station. The governments of the Dominion and Ontario province have voted to pay a bonus of \$250,000 to assist with the extension of the road.

The Ritchies are naturally feeling good, and Mr. S. J. Ritchie stated that the stocks, bonds and securities surrendered to himself and wife are all good for their face value.

It is also said that the Ritchies contemplate the erection of a fine, new home at their beautiful country place at Tallmadge. Mr. Ritchie when spoken to in reference to this story neither denied nor confirmed the report.

FREEZE HAS DONE DAMAGE

Corn Crop and Garden Vegetation Injured By the Frost.

All records for minimum temperatures for this portion of September were shattered by the records of Saturday and Sunday nights. The minimum temperature Friday night was 41 degrees, Saturday night 36 degrees and Sunday night 37 degrees.

Prof. H. V. Egbert said Monday that the temperature of 36 degrees was the lowest that he had ever known for this time in September. Gardeners

reported Monday that the frosts of Saturday and Sunday nights did great damage to their products.

Farmers in the city, Monday, stated that the frosts had damaged the corn crop greatly. One farmer who lives west of Doylestown said that he had seen whole fields that had been turned black by the frosts. Watermelon and muskmelon vines have been frozen and the crop will be short.

BILL IS O. K.

Solicitor Advises Payment of Salaries Under Provisions of Increase.

The police and firemen will receive their first pay Tuesday morning under the provisions of increase made by the Legislature. It is believed the payroll will be passed by Council this evening without a hitch, as the City Commissioners have already approved the bill, having done so in accordance with an opinion delivered to them by Solicitor Esgate.

The opinion of the Solicitor was submitted in written form, in answer to a number of questions asked him by Mr. Houser, as president of the Board.

Among the questions were the following: Is the bill constitutional? Will it become operative without an ordinance being passed by Council? Would you advise the Board and Council to approve and pass the bills? To all of these questions the Solicitor answered "Yes." His argument in support of his opinion was brief, as the situation has been so thoroughly canvassed that the Board was satisfied with his answers in the affirmative. However, it is believed the Solicitor will also be required to give an opinion to Council tonight.

QUICKSAND

Found on Line of South Wall of Wheeler Building.

Workmen at the Wheeler building in South Main st. struck quicksand

Saturday on the line of the south wall of the building. Piles will be put in. It will be necessary to drive them down 15 feet.

THE WEATHER:
FAIR TONIGHT; TUESDAY WARMER.



The Cuy-a-HOG-a Idea of the Strenuous Life Led by Akron's "Country Lawyers."

WON'T HAVE IT.

Echo M. Heisley Declines Congressional Nomination.

Cleveland, O., Sept. 15.—Echo M. Heisley, nominated for Congress by Twentieth District Democrats Saturday, has declined the nomination on the ground that he was not regularly nominated. He had a majority of the delegates voting but not a majority of the delegates. It is not known what will be done in the matter.

HOME AGAIN.

Secretary Root Arrived Today.

Believes the War Game Was a Good Thing.

New York, Sept. 15.—Elihu Root, Secretary of War, arrived from Antwerp aboard the steamer Krouland this morning.

Mr. Root said that he had been abroad to visit his family. His son, Elihu Root, Jr., accompanied him. Mr. Root was anxious to learn the result of the recent war game. He said: "Before I sailed from home I could see the value of these operations. The orders were no sooner issued than the army officers became alert and began to see all sorts of things necessary for the game. We have the tools to work with, but unless we use them in some such way we can never tell how sharp they are; in other words, it spurs all to efforts similar to those required in actual warfare. We can learn many things from these experiments."

THIS WEEK'S TENT MEETINGS

Mayor Johnson to Visit Northwestern Part of the State.

Cleveland, O., Sept. 15.—Mayor Johnson's tent will make a circuit of the northwestern portion of the state this week. Tonight's meeting will be at Bowling Green, Wood county. The itinerary for the rest of the week will be as follows: Tuesday, Napoleon, Henry county; Wednesday, Defiance, Defiance county; Thursday, Paulding, Paulding county; Friday, Van Wert, Van Wert county; Saturday, Delphos, Allen county.

From Delphos the tent will journey to the eastward across the state as far as Youngstown, and then back to Cuyahoga county. The following towns will be visited in order: St. Marys, Lima, Ottawa, Findlay, Fostoria, Tiffin, Upper Sandusky, Kenton, Marion, Gallon, Mansfield, Ashland, Wooster, Orrville, Massillon, Canton, Alliance, Salem, Youngstown, Warren, Ravenna, Akron, Bedford and Chagrin Falls.

LIFE'S END

Reached by Justice Gray.

A Member of United States Supreme Court.

He Had Held That Position For 20 Years.

Lynn, Mass., Sept. 15.—Justice Horace Gray, of the United States Supreme Court, died at Nahant, today. Paralysis was the cause of death.

Justice Gray was born in Boston in 1828. His education through primary school through law was obtained in his home city. He was graduated from Harvard in the class of 1845, immediately entering the Harvard law school, from which he graduated in 1849. Two years later he was admitted to the bar, and from that time his advance in his profession was steady. In 1854 he was appointed reporter of the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts, holding his position until 1861. In 1864 he was called on to take up the work of Associate Justice of that court which position he held until 1873, when he became Chief Justice of the court.

In 1882 he was appointed Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.

BOY DRANK CARBOLIC ACID.

Son of an Akron Grocer Died in Pittsburg.

Mrs. J. W. Rock, a grocer living at 594 East Buchtel ave., was called to Pittsburg, Saturday afternoon by a telegram announcing the death of his son. A dispatch from Pittsburg says of the young man's death:

Roy J. Rock, 19 years old, 1119 Liberty ave., died Saturday from drinking carbolic acid. It is supposed that he had become despondent over a love affair, and that he ended his life after writing two brief notes. One note was addressed to his father, J. W. Rock, 594 Buchtel ave., Akron O., and the second was addressed to Roy Willett, a Pennsylvania railroad brakeman. Rock had been employed as an usher at the Union depot. A peculiar wording in one of the notes led some of Rock's friends to believe that he had been poisoned by an enemy.

Used Same Track and Collided.

A B. & O. freight train collided with a C. A. & C. yard engine in the Barberton yards Monday morning. Two cars were derailed and traffic was blocked for an hour and one half.

CAME AND WENT.

Akronians Visited and Had Visitors Sunday.

Passenger traffic both in and out of Akron was unusually heavy Sunday. The excursion to Columbus carried 400 Akronians. An excursion from Dayton to Akron brought in 500 people at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon. The Dayton excursion was delayed three hours at Sherman where an Erie freight was derailed while going into the switch.

WORLD'S FAIR

Management Will Be Probed.

St. Louis Grand Jury Is Finding Much to Do.

St. Louis, Sept. 15.—The management of the World's Fair is to be probed by the grand jury, according to a high legal official in the office of Circuit Attorney Folk, who has turned out the St. Louis hoodlums. It is charged that there has been wholesale grafting in the letting and securing of contracts for work, at the Fair grounds, and that thousands of dollars has been expended without any value being received.

The administrative department is to be first attacked. Favoritism and nepotism have prevailed in appointments from the first, according to the charges, and it is alleged that sufficient evidence has been found to guarantee startling disclosures.

The World's Fair being aided by the United States, the State of Missouri and the city of St. Louis, places it beyond the limits of a private corporation, and it is said that the representatives of each of the three will join in a thorough investigation, and either disprove these persistent rumors, or remedy the defects and punish those at fault.

From the applicants for concessions come bitter complaints. Those who have not obtained what they applied for say they have been handicapped on all sides by the men that seemed to have a "pull," and that gentle hints have been thrown out that it might be wise to "see" somebody in authority. As no ones seems willing to give names, or particular instances, it has been impossible to place the blame on any specific department or official.

Some time ago a controversy arose in connection with the acquisition of a tract of land desired for fair purposes that promised to develop into a scandal. The matter was taken up by the newspapers, which published statements from both sides of the squabble, but the case was promptly hushed up, and has not been heard of since. Lately the gossip has been so strong that when the grand jury has finished with its present labors in connection with the city hoodlums an investigation of World Fair matters will follow.

FOG

Caused Street Car Wreck.

Cars Crashed On Kenmore Boulevard.

Two Motormen and Two Passengers Badly Bruised.

On account of the heavy fog early Monday morning a rear-end collision of street cars occurred on the Kenmore boulevard. Two cars were badly damaged and passengers given a severe jostling. Motormen John Ingie and Wm. E. Smithheiser were severely cut and bruised.

Ingie was taken to his home on Cuyahoga st. in an ambulance. It is thought his injuries are not extremely serious. Conductor E. R. Cargould was also severely bruised.

A. Dolphin, of Barberton, had his shoulder cut and bruised; John Blinn, of New Portage, was cut about the legs and two men whose names were not given were badly shaken up.

One of the cars was badly wrecked, being crushed in to the second seat. Glass flew in all directions.

OPERATORS

Made Gains in the Tamaqua District.

Tamaqua, Pa., Sept. 15.—There was no trouble in this region today. Operators made gains. The Greenwood washery, owned by Biddall Bros., resumed operations with 25 non-union men and 50 deputies reporting for duty. Strikers were not allowed to approach the plant. The forces at North Mahanoy and Maple Hill washeries, belonging to the Reading company, were redoubled this morning. The Sharp Mountain washery, operated by Dunkelberger Bros., will start up tomorrow.

EXTENSION

Of Wooster Ave. Line Is Being Planned.

Councilmen Warner and Gauthier, of the Sixth ward, are trying to persuade the N. O. T. Co. to extend the Wooster ave. line from its terminus at the street car barns to Manchester road, a distance of about half a mile. They believe that their plan will succeed.

Bids For Light Contract.

Bids for the contract to furnish vapor lights for Akron were opened by the Board Saturday at noon and referred to the Light committee. There were four bids—one by the Sun Vapor Light Co., of Canton, two by Chicago concerns and one by a Cincinnati company.

GAIETY

Prevails Today at Oyster Bay.

President Entertains a Whole County.

Bright Colors and Music Everywhere.

Fakirs, Detectives and Fierce Deputies Also Numerous.

Oyster Bay, N. H., Sept. 15.—This is Oyster Bay's gala day. The good people of Nassau county came in on bay wagons, in automobiles, afoot, on bicycles, in regular trains, special trains, yachts—every way and any old way to get here. Townsend's anvil battery extended them a noisy greeting. The President will receive them from 3 to 6 o'clock this afternoon on the porch of his home on Sagamore hill.

The village is in its very gayest attire. Every house is decorated. The larger buildings are resplendent with flags and bunting. The roadway to Sagamore hill, a distance of three miles, is in a flutter of red, white and blue, every hundred feet being marked by an American flag, suspended across the drive from tree to tree. Legends of welcome are in evidence everywhere. Ten thousand people were expected. The early arrivals made the estimate seem conservative.

Dozens of fakirs came with the daylight, equipped to sell anything from badges to gold bricks. A dozen extra secret service men and as many post-office inspectors are mingling with the crowds. Sheriff Johnson has sworn in three additional deputies who wear gaudy badges and looks of the fiercest determination.

The arrangements at Sagamore hill are complete. The people will drive up and leave their vehicles in a 20-acre lot which has been fenced off. Then they will walk up beyond the porte cochere, across the President's porch, joining the other throng of pedestrians just this side of it. The President will greet them and many will call him "Teddy," for many have known him since boyhood.

Mrs. Roosevelt will stand by his side and when she tires she can disappear through an open window into the house. Those who have shaken hands will be expected to step lively down to the roadway and get back to the point from which they came by a circuitous route so as to avoid confusion. This way has been roped off, that no one may have any trouble in finding the way. One stop is to be made by each individual on the return trip. This is at the lemonade stand erected just beyond the porch. He will take his cup of lemonade and pass on, taking his cup with him. The cups are made of glass and inscribed so as to make them souvenirs of the occasion, to be highly treasured by those fortunate enough to obtain possession of them.

While all this is going on there will be music galore on the spacious lawn. Four bands from neighboring villages are to discourse sweet music, or as near an approach to sweet music as they are capable of. Secret service men will endeavor to prevent the rendition of more than four different tunes at the same time. At 6 o'clock it will all be over. The President will spend a quiet, restful evening to prepare himself for the ordeals of the next day, which will bring as his guests Senators Hanna, Platt, of Connecticut; Aldrich, Allison, Lodge and Spooner. They will be with him at lunch and at dinner and there surely will be something doing in the political line.

BOER GENERALS

Will Shake Hands With Friends In America.

Amsterdam, Sept. 15.—Ex-States Secretary F. W. Reitz, of the Transvaal, will sail for New York aboard the Steamship on Sept. 25, to engage in a lecture tour. He will be followed shortly by the Boer Generals Botha, DeWet and Delarey.

Reitz will do most of the lecturing, as the generals are not fluent English talkers. They will, however, accompany Reitz on his tour and will shake hands with the audience.