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NEWS OF THE WORLD

Industrial, Political, Domestic and Foreign Happenings of Minor Importance Told in Paragraphs.

County Trasurer Fred Elsasser. knowing how the president admired big families, prepared a surprise for Mr. Rocsevelt when he reached Omaha. Elsasser has fourteen children, but four of them are not at home. The head of the family, however, determined to show the president the retaken of himself, his wife and the children at home and gave the picture to Mr. Roosevelt.

Chief Justice Fuller has announced that the final adjournment of the Supreme court of the United States for the term will be taken Monday, June 1.

General Vasquez, former president of the republic of Santo Domingo, landed at Guantanamo, Cuba, with 150 political refugees from the gunboat the Presidente.

In the House of Commons Viscount Cranborne replying to questions announced that the claims against Veneguela would be considered by a mixed tribunal at Caracas.

with his mother and rode his blcycle in the White House grounds.

The British steamer Manchester Market, bound from Manchester for Philadelphia, stranded on Gipsy Rock, off Tuskar, Ireland, during a fog. She is in a bad position. Her first and second holds are full of water.

Eva La Clede, a Chicago girl, aged 13, who is said to be "stage struck" and who ran away from home, was detained at Peoria, where she went to play in a theater.

Fire in the business portion of Benson, N. C., destroyed the larger part of it, fifteen stores being entirely consumed. Loss, from \$50,000 to \$75,000.

with small insurance. Reuben Dickinson was arrested at Burlington, Vt., at the instigation of his son, H. B. Dickinson, a banker of Peoria, Ill., who charges the embezzlement of \$1,000.

Ed Walker, colored, was hanged at Centerville, Ala., for the murder of Mrs. Costello, wife of a white miner at Blockton. Samuel Waters, colored, was hanged at Norfolk, Va., for the murder of a white man Jan. 10 last. The names of C. R. Hunter and J. T. Allen are both credited to the vic-

The British ship Cc'orado, from Hull, reports that on April 17 the body of the elephant Jingo, then affoat thir ty-six days, was sighted in latitude 45.26, longtitude, 36.45. Jingo, said to have been the largest beast in captivity, died at sea and was thrown over-

The Lyceum theater at London was offered at auction, but was withdrawn after the bidding had reached \$1,220, 000, the auctioneer remarking that he of the British embassy at Washingwas not empowered to sell the prop- ton. erty for less than \$1,300,000. The property comprises an area of 23,500 superficial feet, on which are five business buildings besides the theater.

to Indianapolis is assured by the action of Winamac and North Judson, Ind., in granting a franchise to the Union Traction company of Indianap-

United States Senator J. W. Bailey of Texas is being congratulated by his friends over his fee of \$200,000 for services rendered John H. Kirby of Texas in refinancing a Texas pine land company with New York capital.

· The executive committee of the American Federation of Labor at Toronto considered the amalgamation of the carpenters and joiners, recommending as a basis of settlement that a committee of five from each body be appointed, the committee to select the view of gaining time. eleventh member to act as umpire. Pending a decision working conditions are to be restored to the same basis as before the strike.

A Chinese desperado in Kwang-Tung who confessed to sixty murders has been crucified. When he confessed to so many crimes it was decided that decapitation was too lenient a punishment. He was nailed by his hands to a wooden cross and placed on one of the cedar bridges as a warning to malefactors. He lingered three days.

The engineering corps which is in the field for the Chicago, Indiana & Eastern has about finished the work necessary to buil! the line from Muncie to Hagerstown, where connection will be made with the Pennsylvania. The extension will be in an air line. trespective of L.tervening towns. It is thought that the Pennsylvania is back of the plan.

There has been, another rush of gold seekers to Manchuria. Prospectors who have gone to Vladivostock for outfits report that gold has been found in abundance in many places.

Alexander Thompson, a negro, was lyuched at Gurdon, Ark., for stabbing and seriously wounding Dr. J. H.

Guilman, a well-known physician. During the cold snap which visited Germany recently twenty-four persons have been frozen to death in Zelissa

and Posen. The stables of Anson Phelps Stokes at Lenox, Mars., were burned. Loss,

dermany's pig fron production for larch was 43,224 tons, an increase ver February of 108,875 tons March, 1902, of 161,875 tons.

Brigadier General Leonard Wood. Major Scott and Lieutenant McCoy left Venice by rail for Constantinople, whence they will sail for Egypt.

The returns of the general elections in Spain are incomplete. Premier Silvela and Eenor Villaverde, the former minister of finance, have been re-elected. C. A. Pearson, owner of the London

Daily Express, has bought the St. James Gazette. The policy of the Gazette, which is conservative, will not be changed.

Sluicing out has begun in the Klondike, and it is expected the output this year will be \$15,000,000, as compared with \$12,000,000 last year.

Herry Hoelscher, Peter C. Smith and Joseph Bowen were drowned in the Mississippi acar Quincy, Ill., while returning by skiff from a funeral,

B. D. Caldwell, vice president of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western maining ten. He had a photograph railway, in a Berlin interview says the Northern Securities merger decision will doubtless stand despite the appeal, although he considers the Sherman antitrust law inequitable. He believes the decision will affect other leading eastern trunk lines.

Miss Birdie Kuechenmeister of Chicago has begun suit against Glen and Peter Unsicker of Cullom, Ill., for \$20,-000 for breach of promise by the

former at the instance of the latter. Because of acts of lawlessness by whitecaps in the vicinity of Bloomington, Ind., Gov. Durbin has threatened to recommend that the University of Indiana be removed to another city.

A Louisville and Nashville train Archie Roosevelt, who has had the was held ten minutes at Lexington, measles, is better. He took a drive Ky., while Louis Lunsford, a passenger, who got into a fight on the train, was arrested, taken to a station house, tried, fined, paid the fine and was allowed to leave for home.

"I would willingly give \$500 to anyone who smashes any camera that holds a snap shot of me," exclaimed J. Pierpont Morgan after he had gone aboard the White Star line Cedric by way of the second cabin gang plank in an effort to evade a score of photographers.

An enthusiastic meeting was held at Carlinville, Ill., to devise an endowment fund for Blackburn university. Drs. Bradley and Heller gave the assurance that if \$25,000 was raised or promised in Macoupin county an equal amount would be raised outside.

Trial of the suit of Miss Marie Bentz for \$25,000 against Harold Hartsborn, 12 years old, son of James M. Hartshorn, a New York banker has been opened in the supreme court. Miss Bentz says the boy jumped on her back, kicked her and maltreated her so that she suffers partial paralysis. When she complained to the boy's mother she was told other governesses

had not objected to the treatment. Mayor Tom L. Johnson of Cleveland in a letter to J. L. W. Merrill of Kansas City, asks that talk of his being a candidate for president be discouraged, as he says it interferes with his usefulness as mayor of Cleveland.

Among the passengers arriving in New York on the Ceitic were the marquis and marchioness of Hertford, the parents of the earl of Yarmouth, who is to wed Miss Alice Thaw of Pittsburg, and Arthur S. Raikes, secretary

the Gypsies," who died near Haverhill, Mass., left \$25,000 in cash and a house in West Roxbury assessed at A direct trolley line from Chicago \$15,000 to his widow and his eight

> .3y the premature explosion of a charge in the reveille gun at Fort Spelling, Minn., Private Carver of company H and Corporal Foley, company S, were badly burned and lost parts of several fingers.

There are now thirty-five cases of typhoid fever at Stamford University. Cal. R. Barrett of Hermann, Minn., is expected to die. There are 132 cases

in the vicinity. A dispatch from Ceuta, Morocco, says the commander of the government forces at Tetuan has yielded to the demands of the Kabyle tribesmen. who are besieging that place, with a

King Carlos has ordered a number of medals struck off, one of which will be given to each of King Eoward's entourage. The medal is most

Rufus Cantrell, leader of the band of colored ghouls at Indianapolis, was found guilty of grave robbery, and will be sentenced to prison for from two to fourteen years.

Three armed men recently seized a fishing junk fifteen miles off Hong-Kong, murdered the master, his concubine and child as they slept and threw the bodies overboard. The crew was cowed into submission. When near shore, however, they attacked the invaders, threw two of them overboard and confined the third man in the hold. This man escaped by cutting a hole in the vessel's side

and swimming ashore. Four men were killed and one man was badly burned in an explosion in the Dominion coal reserve mine at Hallfax, N. S.

Latest statistics in Berlin show that fifty-two persons lost their lives as a result of a storm in the eastern provinces.

The visit to London of President Loubet of France has been set for

Miss Jessie Singer of New York is dead from burns resulting from her dress catching fire when she stepped on a match.

The Cameron & Camp sawmill at Saron, Texas, with 75,000 feet of lumber, burned. The loss is in excess of \$75,000.

Fire at Indianapolis damaged the Kahn Tailoring company \$25,000 and the Haerie Dry Goeds company \$10,-

Measures Under Consideration in the Capitol at Springfield.

HINMAN BEFORE COMMITTEE

Chicago Editor Appears Before the Legislators and Gives Information Regarding the Basis of the "Boodle" Editorial in the Inter Ocean.

George W. Hinman, editor of the Inter Ocean, appeared before the house investigating committee and gave information regarding the facts which was based an editorial headed "Boodle" which was published in the Chicago Inter Ocean.

Mr. Hinman gave the committee a detailed account of all matters which had come to his knowledge regarding efforts to induce members of the house to support the Mueller traction bill. He related statements made to him by several persons as to what had been said to them in this connection by individuals understood to represent the traction interests.

He told of remarks made by the representatives of the Eastern stockthe office of an attorney said to be acting for one of the street car companies. He reported to the committee tatements made to him by several persons tending to support the allegations in the editorial.

Mr. Hinman was closely questioned by members of the committee as to the main points in his statement. Mr. Hinman was before the committee for several hours.

He will appear before the house in answer to the citation served on him and will then repeat his statement if the house so desires after hearing the report of the committee.

The investigating committee met in the ordinary in the Leland hotel with an members present. The session was held behind closed doors, no one but the members of the committee, the official stenographer, and the nesses-one at a time-being admit-

The first person called before the inquisitors was Harry Anderson, clerk to Speaker Miller. According to the story current in the hotel during the evening, Mr. Anderson's statement related to George B. Albert. Albert is an insurance man from Iowa, and ha been here watching the progress of certain bills relating to the insurance business. Anderson and Albert are acquainted. Speaker Miller told the committee Friday night that Andersor had told him of overhearing a conver sation about the traction bills in the house one day recently.

One of these men said to the other. according to Anderson's story, as related to him by Albert: "It would be cheaper to buy the speaker." Albert is registered at the Silas hotel. The committee issued a subpoera for him

Albert was found and taken before James Stanley, known as "King of the committee. Before appearing be fore the committee be said he had heard a remark such as is indicated in the rumors, but he declined to give details in advance of testifying before the committee.

entered the committee room Chairman Rinaker explained to them that objections had been made by some members of the committee to Mr. Hinman's being represented by counsel. Judge Wing and Mr. Aldrich argued in reply to this that Mr. Hinman was entitled to be represented by coursel at such an investigation. Then Mr. Hinman and his lawyers were asked to retire while the committee discussed the question.

When they were recalled some time later it was announced that Mr. Hinman's counsel would be permitted to remain, but that his sterographer would have to retire. The stenog-

rapher retired. Then the main subject was taken up. Mr. Rinaker and Mr. Bundy, who were the chief spokesmen in the proceedings, said that what the house wanted was information as to the facts alleged in the "Boodle" editorial Mr. Hinman repited he was ready to make a statement of everything he knew or had heard in connection with

the whole subject. Mr. Rinaker and Mr. Bundy objected to a general statement. They said what the committee wanted was specific information as to what facts Mr. Hirman might have to warrant the statement in the editorial that money had been used to influence the passage

of the Mueller bill. Messrs. Aldrich and Wing argued in reply that the editorial should be considered as a whole, and that a general statement by Mr. Hinman giving all facts and information in his possession, should be made by him and received by the committee.

There was considerable debate over public schools and classes for cripthis point, and finally Messrs Rinaker I pled children.

Illinois Girl Is Sponsor. Wickliffe (Ky.) camp of Confeder-Veterans has appointed Miss ings in the Circuit court at Edwards-Daisy Hacker, daughter of Capt. John S. Hacker of Cairo, its sponsor for the Confederate Veterans' reunion in 28, 1903, the defendant, in a conversa-New Orleans May 19. tion with others, accused the com-

Dies at 97.

Mrs. Susan Harrell, mother of Mrs. E. P. Mathers of Mattoon and formerly a well-known resident of this city, is dead at Greencastle at the age of 97

and Bundy consented to allow Mr. Hinman to make a full statement. Then it was proposed that Mr. Hinman take an oath not to disclose any of the proceedings in the committee room, This Mr. Hinman refused to do. There was more tack over this question, and at last the committee consented to re ceive Mr. Hinman's statement without the sworn injunction of secrecy.

Then Mr. Hinman read a statement which he had prepared setting forth all the information he had with regard to efforts made to secure support for the Mueller bill.

Acts for Good Roads.

Serator Rees introduced a bill in the senate to provide for the appointment by the Governor of a good-reads commission and appropriating \$5,000 therefor.

The commission shall be composed of seven members, and after investigation of all highways in the state outside of cities is to report to the next General Assembly some plan looking toward the betterment of the reads The commissioners are to receive no compensation, and one is to be named from each of the Supreme court election districts.

Less than a quorum was present at the session of the house Monday afternoon, but considerable business was transacted. The house bill for three additional circuit court judges in Cook county was read a first time and ordered to a second reading.

A number of senate appropriation bills were read a first time and ad-

The following senate bills were read colders; of visits of certain persons to a second time and advanced to third reading:

Serator Mueller's, to enable park commissioners to condemn riparian rights of owners of land bordering upon public parks. Senator Mueller's, to provide for the

enlargement and extension of parks. Senator Campbell's, providing for the appointment of additional justices of the peace on the South Side and West Side in Chicago.

Mr. Kleeman made an effort to call November of any year, and between up the senate bill prepared by the the hours of 1 o'clock p. m. and 6:30 committee on waterways and drainage, lo'clock p. m. of any day during such which provides for the ancexation of exhibitions or meetings." the Calumet territory to the Chicago sanitary district. Mr. Mitchell ob FEW MILITIAMEN WILL ATTEND tured him near Wanda and took him jected and then Mr. Kleeman moved to suspend the rules.

"If this motion is insisted," said Mr. Mitchell, "I shall demand a call of the house."

Speaker Miller-It is the opinion of the speaker that a call of the house will show that no quorum present. Mr. Kleeman-Well, then, I move to make the bill a special order. This was agreed to and the special order was made.

May Delay Adjournment.

assembly on April 29, the date original Lieut, C. C. Taylor, and Mr. Spencer nally set, is believed to be out of the of Bloomington, called on Adjt. Gen. question. - The traction question. Smith in regard to a regiment of the which has been hung up in the house until Tuesday; cannot be disposed of encampment, but Gen. Smith told them by April 29, next Wednesday, unless the Mueller bill be brought out o no funds remaining of the appropriacommittee and passed without change of a punctuation mark as senate bill -No. 40, which appears to be impossi-

The apprepriation bills need not lengthen the session. All of the hous appropriation bills are on third reading. The senate has passed all of its share of these bills. The house "insurgents" are letting most of the appropriation bills go through, but will hold on to two or three important ones, especially the omnibus bill mak ing provision for the expenses of the When Mr. Hinman and his counsel state government, until traction and the questions in which they are interested are out of the way.

Convict Labor. The convict labor bill is almost a law. House concurrence slight senate amendment and approval by the governor are all that remains to be done for it. The bill passed the senate in the same shape that it passed the house except that it will go into effect, as amended, on July 1, 1905, instead of May 1, 1904.

Appropriations. all senate appropriation bills, and other senate measures on which general interest centered. Among the bills

passed were: Senator Berry's, appropriating \$150. 000 for monuments and ma. ets on the Vicksburg battlefield; Senator Dunlap's, appropriating \$800,000 for the expenses of the University of IIIInois for two years; Senator Berry's, appropriating \$5,000 per annum for the Illinois state fair; \$200 per annum for every county fair association, and \$9,270 per annum for the expenses of the office of the state board of agriculture: Senator Gardner's, appropriating \$200,000 to enable the Southern Illinois penitentiary to keep convicts employed for two years; Senator Stubblefield's, adding an osteopath to the present membership of the state hoard of health; Senator Templeton's to prohibit the shooting of pigeons from traps; Senator Haas', for the in spection of elevators and licensing of conductors; Serator Gardner's, repealing the indeterminate sentence act and giving juries power to fix sen tences; Senator Clark's, to establish

Sues for Slander. A J Sparks has entered proceedville for slander against James Haley. The complaint sets forth that on Feb.

plainant of stealing his chickens. To Improve Cas Plant. The Decatur Gas and Electric com pany has let contracts for improvements on its gas plant which will rethere are charges of boodle against quire expenditures of about \$20,000 aldermen.

ILLINOIS STATE NEWS

Measure Is Patterned After That In Charles Nugent to Have Largest and Effect in Missouri.

The bill modeled after the breeders' law of Missouri, permitting betting on racetracks in Illinois, which is advocated by all the Western racing interests, was reported to the legislature from the live stock committee by Mr. Cavanaugh. Following are the provisions of the bill:

and exhibiting horses, it shall not be illegal for any and all individuals owning or operating fair grounds and racetracks, or any and all corporations the laws of the state of Illinois, owning or operating fair grounds or racetracks, whose charters contain the the objects of such corporations, is to and trials of speed and contests between horses that may be had upon any such grounds: Provided, howted or shall be made except at such | health rules. exhibition or meetings held between the 1st day of May and the 1st day of

No Money to Carry the Spanish Veterans to Elcomington.

The Illinois National Guard will not be represented by any considerable body of men at the annual national cucampment of the acrylce men of the Spanish war, to be held in Bloomington this year. A committee, consisting of Capt: Frank W. Barber of Chicago, quartermaster of the 6th infantry, I. N. G., which served in the Porto Rican campaign under command of Sine die adjournment of the general | Col. D. Jack Foster, Capt. Vowell and national guard being present at the it would be impossible, as there were tien for the rational guard which could be used for that purpose. However, the Gailing gan section of the First regiment, from Chicago, and the Gatting gup section of the Fifth resiment from Spritgfield, will indulge in a competitive drill at Bloomington during the encampment

Switchman is Killed.

W. P. Diekens, a Terminal switchcompany in East St. Louis. Dickens was last seep alive by W. P. Ritchey another switchman. He noticed Dickens hangir a to the side of a car and saw his lamp fall. Hie then hurried to the spot and found the mangled books of Dickens. The body was sent to Nashville for Interment.

Bitten by Rabid Horse.

Parker Doon of Jacksonville was severely bitten in the left hand by his family horse, which was afterward found to be suffering from hydrophobia. The wound was carefully cleansed and canterized by the fam-The senate cleared its calendar of By physician and Mr. Doan soon after started for Chicago to enter the Pasteur institute.

Pawebroker Assigns. Charles Kessell, a pawnbroker and clothing merchant of Quincy, has made an assignment to M. Buemfield of St. Louis and Harry Swimmer and Samuel Woods of Quincy for the benefit of his creditors. The liabilities are about \$5,000 and the assets are estimated at \$10,000.

Calls for Sympathy. Mrs. Dominica Carbonatto of Col-

linsville was adjudged insane by a jury in the county court and ordered taken to the Southern Illinois hospital at Anna. Her husband and six children are left alore, the youngest child being only 3 morths of age.

Frank Troeckler of the Madison County Farmers' institute has sent out notices to 305 farmer boys in the county, who will be provided with

seed corn, to compete for prizes of

fered for the best specimens exhibit-

Interests Farmer Boys.

ed at the county institute. To Build Large Power House. The Independent electric light and power company, which has recently been granted a franchise for Quincy, has bought a large piece of ground and will soon erect a power house cover-

Warns Against Boodle. Mayor John A. Steinbach of Quincy has announced that he will not approve any ordinance granting a franchise to a telephone company while

ing a space of 100x125 feet.

TEXT OF ILLINOIS RACING BILL | STARTS MODEL CHICKEN FARM

Best Hennery in State.

One of the biggest chicken farms in Illinois is being started on Piasa bluffs, near Alton, by Charles Nugent, a St. Louis business man, who is a great fancier of poultry. Mr. Nugent has decided to solve the problems which have perplexed every poultry fancier who has tried to raise chick-"That for the purpose of encourage ens on a large scale. Some of his ing the raising, improving, breeding experienced farmer neighbors have advised him that there is nothing which will make a man richer in a short time, on paper, than chicken raising, With a pencil and paper, and a few now or hereafter incorporated under chickens as capital, they say, a man can figure himself a millionaire in a few years. The farmers say, however, that expectations do not turn into full provision that the object, or one of fruition in its realization, and that large chicken farms are impracticaencourage, by providing the proper fa- ble because of contagious diseases decilities therefor, the raising, train- populating them. Mr. Nugent has deing, breeding or exhibition of horses | termined to conduct a large poultry within the actual inclose of their farm under ideal conditions, and has grounds, during the time of any ex- stocked his beautiful place with poulhibition or meeting, to permit the try show prize-winners. Nothing but making of wagers upon the result of the finest bred chickens are being colany and all running and trofting onized there, and the extensive races and trials of speed and con- grounds surrounding the former Plasa tests between horses that may be had bluffs hotel have been turned into upon such grounds, and it shall be chicken runs. Miles of wire netting lawful, during the time of any such have been put up, and the biggest exhibition or meeting to make and chicken house in southern Illinois, permit the making of wagers within 1 300 feet in length, has been comsuch inclosures upon the result of any | pleted. Mr. Nugent says he will raise and all running and trotting races blooded chickens as a pastime. Incubators are being stored with highpriced eggs, and every care will be taken of the broods when hatched ever, that no wagers shall be permit. They will be cared for on scientific

STICKS TO HIS PAPER PIPES

Remarkable Nerve Exhibited by Cigar-

ette Fiend at Edwardsville. Frank Charles, the young man shot in the face by one of a posse that capto Edwardsville, is still in a critical condition at the County hospital. He gives his age as 19, and his home as Mobile, Ala. He is the perviest patient ever treated at the hosp tal, and, despite his terrible injuries, is lively and cheerful. Although the greater portion of his chin and a part of his tongue and throat were shet off, he smokes cigarettes and attempts to talk to visitors. His companion, who eluded the officers, has not been captured, although bleodhounds were used on his trail shortly after his escape. The men are accused of rebbing the premises of Charles Glass and Henry Hendricks near East Alton. A tent stolen from the former was found in Charles' possession when he was arrested.

Alton Road's Wage Scale.

The Chicago & Alton officials have promulgated the new schedule of pay and working regulations for trainmen? the first of the kind ever issued by that company. The scale of pay for the line east of the Mississippi river shows no increase over the circular in effect Dec. 1. For the line west of the Mississippi there is an increase of 12 per cent for passenger service man, was killed in the yards of the and la per cent for freight and yard service, as per the agreement entered into at St. Louis. The fact that the schedule was issued pending the demand by the committees now in session for an advance to the same scale in Illinois as for Missouri is considered as significant, and may mean that there will be no further increase in Illinois. The fact that the Missourf division received all the increase asked for complicates matters, as it requires a two-thirds vote to strike, and without the support of the Missouri employes the necessary support of such a proposition might be difficult to se-

Southeast Short Line.

From reliable information it is learned that the much-talked-of short line over the Illinois Central from St. Louis to Nashville and the Southeast, which will open up a new mineral field hitherto practically without railroad tacilities, is to be constructed the present year. It will shorten its present line about thirty miles. It will be built from Marion, Ky., through Crittendon and to the Ohio river. crossing at Cave-in rock, where it will connect with the Golconda branch, now being built, and probably make a second connection with the Eldorado branch, which, it is understood. will be extended. The Ohio river will be bridged at Cave-in rock.

Farmers' Telephone System.

The farmers of Massac and Pope counties have formed a farmers' mutual telephone company and will build lines all through the two counties, one phone being established in each town for the use of the members of the association. Only those who are stockholders in the company are entitled to the service.

Dynamite in Garden.

E. C. Sanders of East St. Louis found a number of sticks of dynamite in his yard. Mr. Sanders was digging in his garden when his spade struck a can which resembled an ordinary oil can. Upon investigation it was found to contain dynamite.

Earns a Reward. A pocketbook containing \$245 was found by John Oexle of Belleville and restored to the owner, Andrew Brandt, the same evening. He gave the finder \$25 as a reward.