

Downers Grove Reporter.

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NEWS OF THE WORLD

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

President Loubet received H. H. Hanna, Charles A. Conant and Prof. Jeremiah W. Jenks, the members of the United States International Exchange Commission. Ambassador Porter made the presentations.

The pope, acting on a proposition by the congregation of studies, presided over by Cardinal Satolli, has conferred the degree of doctor of divinity upon Rev. Father James L. Meagher, president of the Christian Press Association Publishing Company of New York.

Commissioner of Pensions Ware has granted a pension of \$8 a month to Thomas B. Howard of Houston, Tex., for services in the Seminole Indian war in 1835 and 1836.

Gen. Funston, commanding the department of the Columbia, has informed the war department that he has left for Alaska for an inspection of the posts in that territory.

Postoffice Inspector Drake and the police of Fargo, N. D., have arrested three supposed leaders of a gang of country postoffice robbers.

Charles Garrison, conductor on the Chicago & Eastern Illinois railway, was thrown from his caboose and instantly killed near Brazil, Ind.

Sir Michael Herbert, the British ambassador at Washington, and Lady Herbert have sailed from New York on the Celtic for Liverpool.

George Rowley, former manager of the Elgin Loan company of St. Thomas, Ont., whose disappearance caused a suspension of the concern, has returned and given himself up to the authorities.

Orin Prince, a stage driver, shot and killed his 2-year-old baby, wounded his wife and Ed Leach, a sawmill hand, at the depot at Stiles, Idaho.

Gen. John R. Brooke was re-elected president at the meeting of the Society of the Army of the Potomac in Boston.

The strike in the stone quarries at Bedford, Ind., which has been on since May 1, ended, the men accepting the scale offered by the operators.

Officials of the St. Louis Street Car Employees' union have secured a circular calling on motormen and conductors of the St. Louis Transit company to strike July 4 unless wage demands are granted.

Prof. Adolph Lorenz, the great Vienna orthopedic expert, was entertained at luncheon at the University club, New York, and afterward went to Tarrytown. After visiting Philadelphia and Boston he will sail for Germany July 7.

The annual convention of the International League of Press Clubs ended at Atlantic City after the selection of Salt Lake City as the next place of meeting.

Broker F. C. Fuller and his 12-year-old son of Cleveland, are supposed to have been drowned in Lake Erie, a boat in which they went rowing having been found floating bottom up.

The Rock Island's Denver flyer left the track two miles west of Belleville, Kan. The cars remained upright.

The Virginia Democratic committee elected its chairman, J. Taylor Ellison, state representative on the Democratic national committee to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Congressman Peter J. Otey.

Ex-President Grover Cleveland and family have left Princeton, N. J., for Gray Gables, Buzzard's Bay, where they will spend the summer, thus disposing of the rumor that they would occupy a place in the Berkshire hills.

While sleeping at the railway station at Pueblo, Col., an Omaha real estate man named Herrington was robbed of a valise containing \$60,000 worth of securities.

Alfred R. Johnson, formerly of Akron, Ohio, and Janeville, Wis., died in Kansas City, Mo., a few hours after being told of the death of his brother-in-law, Maj. James B. Pond of New York. The men had been lifelong friends.

Mrs. Johnson was the organizer of Kansas City Typographical union and was prominent in labor union work.

The Rev. Brother Anselm, director of the La Salle academy of the Christian Brothers, New York, is dead, after an operation for acute kidney trouble, from which he had suffered for two years.

Known in the world as George Stafford, he was one of the most prominent members of the Order of Christian Brothers.

Mrs. Richards, wife of the commissioner of the land office, is critically ill at Omaha, Neb., and a Chicago specialist has been called to attend her.

Lord and Lady Dunmore and a distinguished party arrived at Boston on the Saxonia to attend the big Christian Science communion.

Walter A. Wyckoff, author of "The Workers" and professor of economics at Princeton, and Miss Leah Ehrlich, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Ehrlich of Colorado Springs, were married in New York last evening by Rev. Dr. Robert Collier.

Dr. Adolph Lorenz visited the oyster beds at Atlantic City and saw the succulent bivalves in the process of development. Part of the day was spent in receiving local physicians.

Cashier F. M. Skinner of the defunct Indiana state bank, accused of embezzlement, and Cashier W. E. Leckie of the defunct Sterling state bank, charged with alleged illegal banking, both in Oklahoma, were arrested.

Joseph Lamont, a clerk in the office of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad at Boston, shot and fatally wounded Georginna Goddu, aged 22, of Winchester, Mass., and less seriously wounded Adelaide Payette, aged 35 years, of Lowell, Mass., at the latter city, and escaped.

The interior department has withdrawn from all forms of settlement except homestead entry 127 townships in the Walla Walla, Waterville and Yakima land districts in Washington state, under the reclamation act. This withdrawal, involving almost 3,000,000 acres, the largest withdrawal in recollection of officials here, is for irrigation purposes in what is known as the Big Bend project.

Felix Mottl, the celebrated conductor of Karlsruhe, is to lead the orchestra at the New York Metropolitan opera house next winter. He is an Austrian, born in 1856, and a graduate of the Vienna conservatory.

Lester Wilson, a 16-year-old boy, was shot and seriously wounded by a soldier in Richmond, Va., for crying "scab" at a car. Business men are exerting themselves to bring about a settlement of the street car strike.

In a collision between an electric car on the Camden Interstate railway and a Cincinnati & Ohio freight train at Huntington, W. Va., twelve persons were injured.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Vanderbilt, who are still at Biltmore, have put off the time of their sailing for almost a month and will be absent for a short time only.

Miss Alice Roosevelt is booked for half a dozen different resorts during the coming two months, so that Oyster Bay will see but little of her. Her first visit will be to Bar Harbor and later she has been asked again to Newport. She is also down for a visit to the Colliers in Tuxedo and to her cousin, Miss Dorothy Roosevelt, at Southampton.

Capt. Dickins, U. S. N., late in command of the receiving ship Independence, has left Mare Island. After a visit of a few days, accompanied by Mrs. Dickins to the Yosemite and Lake Tahoe, Capt. Dickins will leave for Washington, where he will perform temporary duty before taking up the new assignment as commandant of the naval station at Pensacola, Fla.

The Wisconsin Telephone company has arranged for the purchase of the Little Wolf Telephone company's property.

Tomasso Pette was indicted at New York on a charge of murder in the first degree in causing the death of Benedetto Madonia, whose body was found stuffed in a barrel April 14 last.

Deputy Marshal Gus Hall of Olive Hill, Ky., while approaching Everitt Baitly with a warrant for his arrest, was shot and killed by Baitly. Marshal White was called to the scene and shot and killed Baitly instantly.

Gilbert M. King, millionaire and leader in exclusive society at Augusta, Me., has married a manicurist.

Leonard Lamb, a prominent Oklahoman, was found dead on the railroad tracks at Washitt Junction. It is asserted that he was murdered and his body placed on the track. Five persons have been arrested. In the government lottery at El Reno two years ago Lamb drew one of the most valuable tracts in the territory.

Negotiations for a trade treaty with China opening Manchuria ports are deadlocked, because the Chinese commissioners propose to omit Moukden, Taku-shan and Harbin.

The \$8 rate which the Wisconsin Central made through from St. Paul to Chicago is affecting the through rates on all the passenger business to Eastern points. It was announced by the Wisconsin Central that the new rate would be used for basing purposes in making round trip rates to the National Educational association and other gatherings in the East this summer.

Announcement is made that the contract for the construction of the first twenty miles of the Alaska Central railroad has been let to the Seward Construction company of Chicago.

At the meeting of the Pennsylvania company at Philadelphia the old officers were re-elected, with A. J. Cassatt as president. Otto Schroll was appointed superintendent of the Cleveland division to succeed W. H. Potter, resigned, and W. B. Wood was named to succeed Schroll on the Richmond division.

The Nebraska Democratic state central committee selected August 25 at Columbus as time and place for holding the convention. Fusion with the Populists is probable.

Maj. Dan Hogan is to be appointed collector of internal revenue for the southern Illinois district.

The death rate at Manila has decreased from 46.80 per 1,000 population for the first quarter of 1900 to 22.17 for the first quarter of 1902.

Henry W. Warner was suspended from the New York stock exchange for one year. He was found guilty of taking and carrying the account of an employe of another member of the exchange without consent of that member.

The following officers were elected by the American Institute of Homeopathy at Boston: President, John P. Southerland, Boston; secretary, Charles Getchem, Chicago; treasurer, T. Frank Smith, New York.

Several buildings were demolished by a tornado at Dolliver, Iowa.

IOWA DEMOCRATS AGAINST SILVER

Kansas City Platform Is Defeated in Convention by Decisive Vote.

PICK SILVERITE FOR LEADER

Jeremiah B. Sullivan of Creston is Nominated for Governor in Order to Console the Bryanites—Government Ownership Gets Little Favor.

For governor, Jeremiah B. Sullivan, Creston. For lieutenant governor, John R. Butler, Iowa county. For judge supreme court, John R. Caldwell, Tama county. For superintendent public instruction, A. R. McCook, Howard county. For railroad commissioner, W. S. Porter, Hardin county.

Des Moines, Ia., special: A state ticket was nominated by the democratic convention here and the reaffirmation of the Kansas City platform was defeated by a vote of 463-9-10 to 354-1-10. Government ownership was put aside by the still greater emphasis of 628 1/2 to 129 1/2.

These things came about despite the fact that government ownership was proposed in its mildest form and that William Jennings Bryan wrote to the silver men to fight to the last for the principles enunciated at Kansas City.

Nominate Silver Man. This his followers did do, and although the convention did not lack interest there was not the fierce conduct of last year over reaffirmation either in the committee or on the floor of the convention.

The gold men were able to show that they would control the resolutions committee, and the fact had something

junction, imperialism, currency based upon private securities, and the republican management of the postal department, the demand being made that the present postal scandal be investigated by a congressional committee.

EDLEY M'COOL IS NOT GUILTY

Stayer of McNier is Acquitted on the Ground of Self Defense.

Decatur, Ill., special: The jury in the case of Edley McCool, charged with the murder of William G. McNier, returned a verdict of not guilty. The trial lasted ten days. The defendant was acquitted on the ground of self defense. McCool and McNier and their wives lived in the same house. When McNier went into the house at 10 o'clock at night May 4 he was fatally shot by McCool. The prosecution tried to show that McCool had lain in wait to kill McNier because of the trouble between the two families. McCool, on the stand, said that he and his wife had left the house and he had gone back that night to get some clothing. He was looking for a watch when McNier came in and, thinking McNier was drawing a revolver, McCool shot him. A loaded revolver was found in McNier's pocket.

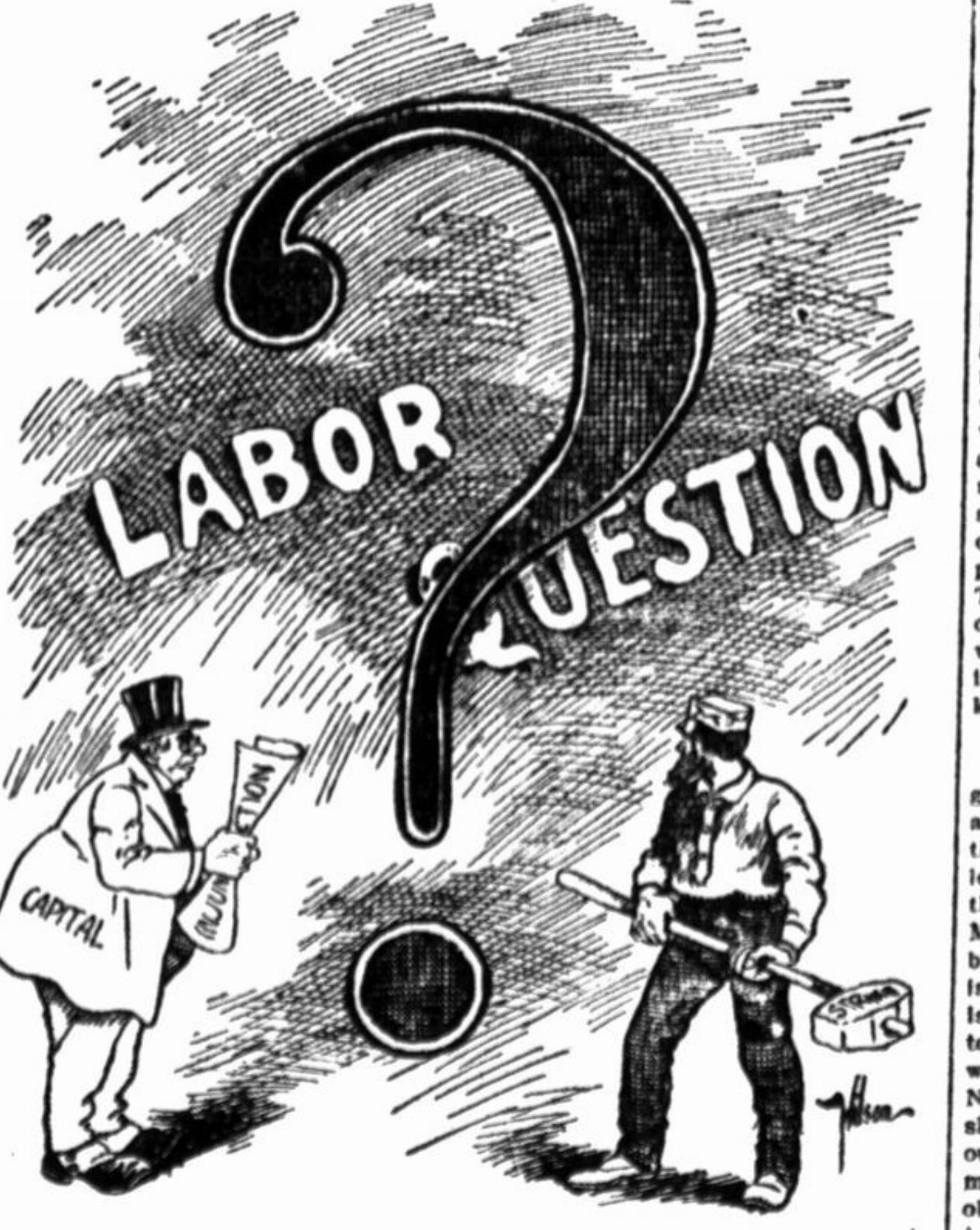
MIRACULOUS ESCAPE OF CHILD

Little Girl is Rescued After Being Carried 600 Feet in Sewer.

Pittsburg, Pa., dispatch: Joseph Gladden, while watching the great volume of water pouring out of a sewer that empties into the Monongahela river, was startled by seeing the form of a little girl shoot from the opening. He ran to the spot and rescued the child before she was carried away by the current.

The little one proved to be the six-year-old daughter of William Garbrieh. She had been playing along a small, rain-swollen stream that runs into the sewer.

The child was caught by the rush of water and swept into the sewer.



Are There No Better Methods of Settling Disputes?

to do in dampening the spirits of the silver element. The gold faction, after dictating the platform, gave the opposition a consolation prize in nominating a man of silver leaning for governor.

Text of the Platform. The platform is of considerable length and is to the exact liking of the gold democrats. It demands the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people; repeal of the munit law; and the enactment of a local option law; the contracting for supplies of the state with the lowest responsible bidder; state aid for the improvement of public roads; an increase in the volume of money; the removal of the tariff on all goods produced cheaply here as abroad; and that the tariff on all other goods be limited to the difference between the cost of production at home and abroad; the distribution by the government of the goods which a monopoly controls, the owner to be paid a fair compensation for the goods so taken, and the taxation of corporations the same way as individuals are taxed.

Revenue Tariff. The platform was amended on the floor of the convention to demand a tariff for revenue only, it being explained that a clerical error was made in transcribing the document.

Among other things which it opposes and condemns are government by in-

through which she was born 600 feet. After the child recovered from the shock and fright she was found to be unharmed.

ROASTS LITTLE GIRL IN SACK

Stepmother is Arrested for Murdering Child in Strange Way.

New Orleans, La., dispatch: Mrs. Mary Patterson is under arrest at New Iberia, charged with murder. The woman became enraged at her stepchild, a little girl 10 years, and after beating her tied her in a corn sack and suspended her to a limb of a tree. She then made a fire beneath the tree and piled on a lot of paper to intensify the heat and smoke. The sack caught fire and the body, falling out, burned to a crisp.

LARGE MERCANTILE CONCERN

Gimbel Brothers Form Company With a Capital of \$10,000,000.

Milwaukee, Wis., dispatch: The Gimbel Bros' business here and in Philadelphia has been incorporated under the laws of Pennsylvania, with a paid-up capital of \$10,000,000. This, it is asserted, makes the concern the largest in a mercantile line in the country. None of the stock will be placed on the market, but is held by the Gimbels and their friends.

ILLINOIS PRINTERS' OFFICERS

B. S. Chambers of Chicago Head of the Allied Crafts' Union.

Alton, Ill., dispatch: The Allied Printing Crafts union of Illinois at its annual convention decided to meet next year in Springfield and elected the following officers: President, B. S. Chambers of Chicago, vice president, J. C. Bramhall of Alton; secretary and treasurer, John Onyon of Peoria; delegates to the state federation of labor, O. J. Danforth, J. A. Park, J. C. Abrams and C. C. Dye.

STAMPEDE TO THE GOLD FIELDS

Eight Hundred Acres Have Been Staked Out Near Valdez.

Seattle, Wash., dispatch: The first details of the new gold finds near Valdez were brought from the North by the steamer Excelsior, which has just arrived here. The discoveries are on Lowe river, twenty-three miles from Valdez, and already 800 acres of ground have been staked out. During the last few days before the Excelsior sailed there was quite a stampede to the new find.

HIDDEN PICTURE PUZZLE.



He has lost his sweetheart. Where is she?

WHEAT CROPS ARE IN DANGER

Winter Variety Had Too Much Moisture During Spring Months.

MANY DISCOURAGING FACTORS

Spring Plant Suffers From Lack of Rain—Cold Weather, Rust, Hessian Fly and the Floods Also Cut Yield of Principal Cereal.

Chicago, Ill., special: Rain clouds hanging over the Northwest wheat-growing states just now would be a most welcome sight to the anxious watchers whose calculations on the winter and spring crop are held in abeyance or subjected to disappointing reductions with every tidings from Minnesota and the Dakotas betokening a continuance of the drought that has prevailed since the first part of March. The wheat traders are undergoing a considerable scare, but it is a "dry weather" scare, and not due to any individual manipulation of the market.

Rumor of Rain.

Although private advices to Chicago traders Friday night indicated that a genuine rainstorm had burst upon the wheat regions in Red River valley, the weather office failed to verify the report. There were showers in Montana, to the west of the Dakotas, but this held little more than a promise, and a most uncertain sort of promise, for those who wanted the storms to cross over to the east, where they would benefit the crops. In Williston, N. D., the barest suggestion of a shower sprinkled the land, and in various portions of the state clouds that might portend a little moisture were observed and hailed with hope.

Drought Affects Crops.

But the weather bureau sees no heavy rainfall in all this. The report of "cloudy to partly cloudy," lest it give too much hope to the hosts whose interest in the wheat is at fever point just now, is supplemented with the prediction that the weather will continue "fair" in the Northwest. It is freely conceded that the crop will fall far below earlier estimates. The winter wheat suffered because of the too lavish downpour until calculations were scaled a full hundred million bushels. And now, when all hope has been pinned to the spring crop, there is the drought, with no definite promise of its breaking in time to save a loss in this direction too.

Winter Wheat Suffers.

"I would place the total crop, winter and spring wheat, at from 720,000 to 730,000,000 bushels, judging from present indications," said A. I. Valentine of Armour & Co. "That is 125,000,000 bushels short of the earlier estimates. There is no doubt of the winter crop having suffered, particularly the soft winter wheat. The results are disappointing in eastern Kansas, southern Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee and the Ohio and Missouri valleys. A deal of this damage is due, I consider, to the poor seed, last year's crop furnishing but a poor quality of seed. Then there must be considered the cold spring, the 'rust,' Hessian flies and the floods. In the winter wheat region we have had

too much rain, and it appears now that we are meeting with the reverse of this in the spring wheat district.

Moisture is Needed.

"So far as the spring crop is concerned there is plenty of moisture in the ground, except for the surface. The wheat requires rain shortly, and if it comes I believe the damage being worked now by the drought may be repaired. The market is dangerous because of the uncertainty and of the apprehension of a continuation of the drought, and it will require generous rains in the Dakotas and Minnesota to relieve the situation.

Although the weather reports do not indicate it I have advised that there has been some rain in the Red River valley. While we all want to see rain in the Northwest we are also a unit in the wish that dry weather may prevail in the harvest districts, so no more damage may be worked to the winter crop. If the rain doesn't come to the Northwest the damage must inevitably be great."

Cool Weather is a Factor.

Theodore Logan takes a hopeful view of the situation as to the spring crop. "While rain is needed, and needed badly," he said, "the situation is saved by the fact that we have had cool weather. If the days had been hot and this drought had gone on the damage would be great, but the cool weather has helped materially and I do not consider that any damage due to the dry spell is irreparable. I am hopeful that the Northwest will have rain. Reports from the Southwest, where thrashing is going on, are disappointing, except in the extreme Southwest, where they claim to have had a most satisfactory crop. I would not care just now to hazard an estimate of the total crop, or to say how much it may fall short of earlier estimates."

Reports Are Discouraging.

Agents for Chicago traders who are in Minnesota and the Dakotas looking over the ground are sending in discouraging reports. One of the investigators wired from Twin City, Minn., that he had driven sixty miles, and the farther north and west he went the worse the wheat looked. The farmers are much alarmed and there is general talk of the extreme of damage.

THREATEN A NATIONAL STRIKE

Building Trades War May Extend Over the Entire Country.

New York dispatch: The building trades war was renewed when a delegation from the Ornamental Plaster Workers' Union and forty representatives of the board of United Building Trades marched through the upper West Side calling out plasterers overlooked. Plasterers throughout the country who work for members of the New York Employers' Association will be called out and Delegate Sam Parks said that if this did not prove effective the Housewives and Bridgemen's unions would order a national strike and tie up every building operation in the country.

MURDER AT PRAYER MEETING

Young Men Quarrel and Preacher's Son is Killed.

Effingham, Ill., special: During a prayer meeting at the Methodist church in Moccasin township Moses Tiptword, aged 20, and a young man named Hawker, son of the Methodist minister, got into a quarrel. They went outside to fight it out. Tiptword stabbed Hawker with his knife, killing him almost instantly. The murderer fled and kept in hiding in the timber until he was captured.

MASONIC HOME IS ADVANCED

Grand Master Moulton Lays Corner Stone of Building at Sullivan.

Bloomington, Ill., dispatch: Nearly every Masonic lodge in Illinois was represented at the corner stone laying of the new home at Sullivan for aged members of the order and for widows and orphans of deceased Masons. Special trains brought visitors from the larger cities. Grand Master George M. Moulton of Chicago had charge of the ceremonies and Dr. J. B. McFarrish of Chicago delivered the oration.

HOLDS CITY TAX LEVY IS VOID

Springfield Court Invalidates Action of Council on Appropriations.

Springfield, Ill., special: Judge G. W. Murray in the Sangamon county court declared illegal the tax levy made by the city council of Springfield for last year. The action is declared void because the appropriation ordinance and tax levy were passed at the same meeting, whereas the law provides that the levy shall not be made until ten days after the appropriation ordinance is passed.