

# TLLINOIS STATE NEWS



WATERWAY PLAN OFF.

me Mad Deadlock on Canal by Adjournment Till Fall. rent action on the proposed deep interway legislation has been postponed years old. until Tuesday, Oct. 8, at noon. A joint colution to this effect was adopted by both branches of the General Assembly. necording to the terms of which the State solons take a recess until the fall, when they will return to Springfield and resume consideration of Gov. Dencen's special message on this subject. This action was found necessary, owing to the deadlock developed on the Chicago sanitary district bill, which was opposed by the Economy Light and Power Company interests, the citizens of Joliet and down-State solons generally. The fact that the question is to be a subject for future deliberations before the Forty-fifth General Assembly adjourns sine dle is considered a victory the State executive by followers of his distration. When the Governor's mge was sent in the common report was that it would not be given more than ssing attention and that there would be no legislation on the deep waterway pro-The sentiment has changed and the knowing ones predict that during the recess the conflicting forces will get togethand the difference be satisfactorily

FIVE HELD FOR GIRL'S DEATH. Young Farmers Are Involved in Scandal,

known and richest young farmers have been arrested and imprisoned, charged with murder, following an investigation into the death of Lola Nance, daughter of John Nance, a farmer. It is charged the girl's death was caused by an operation. The men arrested are Taylor Phinon, Byron D. Davis, William Sharp, Oran K. Allen and Cullen Allen. Three of the men are married. Miss Nance died suddenly on April 13. The death certificate gave the cause of her death as a blood clot pear the heart. The girl had taken a leading part in church and social effairs, and her family being one of the most prominent in the county, her funera was one of the largest ever held in tha meetion of the State. The first intimation of any suspicious circumstances in con meetion with her death reached State's Attorney Hill a few days ago in an anon ymous letter, making grave charges. The State's Attorney summoned the curoner a local physician, and a St. Louis doctor, and exhumed the body. An examina tion revealed the truth of the charges made. The preliminary trial was held before Justice Charles W. Grassell in Hillsboro. At the close all the defendants were held under bond to await the action of the grand jury in November.

COUNTY IS BANKRUPT.

Manidonte of Coles to Vate on Propo-

altion to Meet Debts. In an effort to restore the good name of Coles county in the financial world the for the eighth bond election, to be held on June 8, the date of the judicial election to select a successor of the late Judge Wilkin. The call is for an issue of \$225,000 in bonds to run for twenty years. The indebtedness of Coles county is \$231,000. This is the eighth time the people of the county have asked to the proposition been roted down by large majorities. The receipts of Cules county are about \$52,000 a year and the State Supreme Court has ordered that \$22,000 most be laid aside each year for ten construction of the court house and \$0. 200 on indepents taken by the creditors. his leaves only about \$30,000 to run the leaunty, including the Circuit Court at Charleston, the County Court and the burned by a prairie fire at Winthrop Har-Mattoon city court, janitors' bills, conf. bills and all other running expenses. Not a single bill has been paid by the county since March, 1906, orders Alrawn on the

MALINOIS TRACHERS HOLD MEET.

dama and Electa Officers.

county treasury being worthless.

The annual meeting of the Illinois Mehoolinistress' Club in Bloomington was attended by teachers from all over the State. Miss Jane Addams gave, an account of the settlement work in Chicago. She argued for greater attention to indusfring work in the schools, asserting that t should go hand in hand with intellectend training. Miss Corn Hamilton of the State Normal school at Macomb spoke upon the subject. "The Development of the Novel." Officers were elected as follows: President, Miss Beseman. Peorla : first vice president, Miss Belle Gowdy, Bloomington; second vice president, Miss Anna Martin, Peoria; secrethey treasurer, Miss Chara Walker, Chi-The next place of meeting was left a the executive committee.

POPCORN MACHINE EXPLODES.

Burned by Gasoline.

A popeorn gasoline tank exploded in Du Quoin, frightfully burning two boys. Wiley Sisemore and Robert Roach, and he former's sister, Miss Ella Sisemore. The trie were standing near the machine then the explosion occurred. Reach the to have inhaled the flames and is serbly burned about the face and head. The victims are in a critical condition.

Cheste Bond; Pays Book Pare. d that it contained the following: "I over your road to Bloomington on a name. Inclosed find \$1.76 for the it deeper and had used all his strength

torm Wreeks a Big Dam. Company, containing 80,000,000 water, broke. The dam was

All Over the State. Ernest Peine, a tinner, was found dead in his room in Fairbury. An empty bottle which had contained carbolic acid was on a stand beside him. He was 50

Robbers blew open the safe of the Exchange bank at Hoyleston and escaped with between \$1,000 and \$1,500. There is no clew. The bank is owned by S. P. Cooper and is the only one in the town. Desiring to establish a record for throwing snowballs on May 14. Martine Canbine, claiming to be a London, England, policeman, was arrested in Bloomington for throwing hailstones at people

The trustees of the village of Harmon passed a curfew law forbidding children under 16 to remain on the streets after 8 o'clock at night. Each member of the council was authorized to enforce the or-

The Knapp Island Gun Club has purchased 1,800 acres of land on Knapp island from John Wehner for \$40,000. Prominent men throughout the State, including several Chicagoans, are members of the club.

Mr. and Mrs. George Raybill of Pana celebrated their sixty-third marriage anniversary. They were married in 1834 in at Clinton recently, suffered a relapso Scott county, Indiana, and went horseback to the nearest town on their wedding trip. They have resided for fifty | she exclaimed: "He killed himself for me

by a high wind and long continued hail I could not get well if it was necessary of central Illinois. The large elevator of King & Applegate at Atlanta was wrecked and many other smaller structures and

For the first time in fifteen years Urbana and Champaign, with 2,500 inhabitants, have not a Aloon within their borders. The Urbana city council voted no license, putting eleven saloons out of business, while Champaign's twenty-six salogus have had to close up.

Impelled by the 2-cent fare law in Illinois and Missouri, the Chicago and Alton will conduct thorough tests of the gasoine motor ears, commencing with June 1. in order to keep down the expense of rain movement on short lines. Three cars of the Strang type have been se-

In the recount of the votes cast for Mayor of Kewanee at the city election April 16 Samuel Bradbury, the citizens' party candidate, was declared elected by sixteen majority over William T. Pierce, citizens' labor party. Bradbury's maority on the face of the returns was

Frightened by the approaching automobile of Dr. A. V. Bowart, the horses drawing a sulky plow bearing Martin Dambold, near Buckley, dashed through a field on his farm, burling him in front of the sharp knives of the plaws and in flicting injuries of which he died at Burnham hospital, ('hampaign.

Robbers entered the Bank of Yates City, a private cone . blew open the posit vault, secured about \$3980 in postage stamps, the property of the govern ment, which had been put there for safe keeping, and escaped, evidently being frightened away. Inside the doors of the vault were several sucks of gold, which were intact when the bank was opened. The body of Thomas Vaughan, a vet eran of the Civil War, was found in a posture near the home of his son, five been missing from home for ten days was loaded. Death was due to natural rances, in the apinion of the coroner's

Ruth Lacon, a little girl, was fatally conscious when she saw her daughter enveloped in flames. The girl was playing with other children, who started a grass fire. A high wind caused the flames to leap toward her suddenly and fasten upon her garments. She screamed for help and ran to and fro in vain. Her mother, Behoofmistrees Club Henra Jame Ad- fainting, left her without aid, and she soon expired.

The Rock River Valley Ministerial As sociation at a meeting in Starting severely criticised Representative Henry S. Cle. hant of the Thirty-fifth District for not voting either for or against the local option bill. The criticism was in the form of a resolution, in which he was accused of evading the issue. He is the minority Representative. Representative Sheldon. leader of the local option forces, and Tindall of DeKalb county were praised. The stand taken by the late Senator Charles Hughes was commended.

Twenty persons were injured, most of them slightly, when a limited train on the Aurora, Elgin and Chicago Electric railway line running at high speed crashed into a freight car which was standing on the track of the Terminal Transfer Company at Bellwood. The motorman saved his life by leaping after applying the brakes in an effort to reduce headway. Two Boys and a Girl Are Badly Several of the passengerfs were thrown from their sents to the floor by the force of the impact, suffering bruises. Not one of the occupants of the first coach escalled injury, it is said.

As the Chicago and Alton limited pulled out of St. Louis the other day a tramp enseenced himself at the rear of the engine's tender. He almost drowned in consequence when he fell into the opening of the tank. He was buffeted about in the swirling water by the surging of the train. At Alton, twenty-seven miles A stranger walked into the Alton pan- away, the first stop was made, thirty depot in Springfield tossed an en- minutes after leaving St. Louis. Faint over the counter of the ticket office cries for help were heard and a search departed. The next morning the made. The tramp was found feebly trying to keep his head above the water and was almost exhausted. When told there was only four feet of water in the tank ticket obtained in another per- he said he was so frightened he believed

in trying to keep affont. The second annual convention of the Illinois Independent Telephone Associaa severe electrical and rain tion adjourned the other day. Manford Savage of Champaign was elected presi- | stock is seeking information as to th dent and William H. Bassette of St. | whereabouts of Charles Anderson, a de-

Louis vice president. Since the death of Charles D. Cook of Mount Vernon, who was thought to have no relatives, three claimants for the estate have appeared. Nancy J. Sechricht of Fairfield, Bachel Cook of New York and Flora Lunger of North Carolina have fied claims on the estate, which at the Galesburg with Harry Hough, a Burlingme of Cook's death was estimated to be ton clerk, who has a wife and child at

ILL WIND THAT BLOWS NO GOOD.

Church Worker, Rescued from Roof by Women, Takes Up Collection. After being rescued from the roof of a high building owned by former Mayor George W. Alchuler, Elder Bennett Carter, an aged worker in the African Methodist church in Aurora, who also is a stonemason, took up a collection from his women life savers, saying he was securing contributions for a fund to procure new seats for the church. Elder Carter had been at work on the roof of the building, and when he attempted to descend bis ladder had been blown down by the wind. His cries for help brought all the women for blocks around to his rescue, and they raised the ladder and Elder Carter gracefully came off his lofty perch. The women now are wondering if the elder did not push the ladler away from the building on purpose to get them together and then take up the collection.

KILLS SELF TO SAVE WIFE.

Moved by Husband's Death, Woman

Does Not Want to Get Well. Mrs. S. M. Phelps, the Clinton woman who has been a patient at a Chicago hospital and whose husband killed himself when she read an account of his suicide in a Chicago paper. Itising in her bed, and to help me live." As she sank back A severe electrical storm accompanied upon the pillow she said: 'For me? No. lirious and for a time was in a serious condition. The request of Phelps that his body be sold to a Chicago medical college for dissecting purposes will be ig-

CORONER DIES BESIDE CORPSE.

W. H. Mull of Christian County Falls Dead at Inquest.

W. H. Mull, coroner of Christian counly, dropped dead just after he had administered the oath to a coroner's jury that was impaneled to investigate the death of Martin Antonivich, who was killed at Pana by a train. Coroner Mull was summoned to Pana and was to outward appearances in good health. He visited the undertaker's establishment to view the body and fell dead beside the corpse. Heart disease was the cause. Mr. Mull was one of the best known residents of Christian county. He was elected to office at the last presidential election by the Republicans. He was 75 years of age and is survived by his widow and three

INCREASE IN STATE SALARIES.

Governor's Pay Doubled and Attor

ney General's Made \$10,000. Gov. Dencen and the other State officers are given substantial increases in

salaries by Senate bill No. 105, which was passed by the House at the night pension by a vote of 82 year and 21 mays. The salaries are increased as follows Governor, from \$6,000 to \$12,000; Lieu tenant Governor, from \$1,300 to \$2,360; Secretary of State, from \$3,500 to \$7, 500: Auditor, from \$2,500 to \$7,500 Treasurer, from \$3,500 to \$10,000; Superintendent of Public Instruction, from \$3,500 to \$7,500; Attorney General, from \$3,500 to \$10,000.

HOLD COCK FIGHT IN RIVER.

linte Laws Defled Between Pekin

Contrary to the laws of the State and defring two sheriffs, in company with the State humane agent and other federal officers, a well-attended cock fight took place in the middle of the Illinois river. between Havana and Pekin. The fight had been well planned and when a boat on board, but landing farther down the river enough were taken aboutd to furnish fifty conflicts. Parring the fifty battles that were fought it is said that over \$10,000 changed hands.

STORM LIFTS SCHOOL BUILDING.

Gate Sweeps Through Countles in Illinois Adjoining Cook.

A storm resembling in some respects a tornado swept through Grundy, Will and Kendall counties Tuesday afternoon and caused heavy destruction of property. Scores of buildings, mostly barns and amaller structures, were blown down. At Caton farm a school building in which twenty pupils were studying was lifted from the foundations and swung bodily around. None of the chidren was hurt. The sweep of the storm was several rods wide and and several miles long. The storm lasted less than a minute at any

City Fines Road Every Day. The Rig Four railway is being fined every day by the city of Shelbyville for failure to maintain a watchman at a crossing in the western part of the city. Already the fines aggregate \$300, but the road continues to ignore the action of the

Aged Man Burned to Death. Thomas Nicholson, aged 70 years, was burned to death in his home in Pana. He buried his wife about one month ago. It is believed he went to bed with his pipe smoking and fell asteep, the pipe setting fire to the bed.

Woman Burned to Death. By stepping on a match Mrs. Michael Penderfast, 59 years old, was burned to death at her home in Sterling. The match ignited her clothing and she was hurned so severely before help arrived that death ensued in a few minutes.

from Workers at Sterling Burned. Four buildings belonging to the Novelty iron works in Sterling were destroyed by fire, causing a loss of \$10,000.

Sheriff Scoke Demented Man. Sheriff Charles Wandrack of Woodmented man of 67, who left home May 14. A reward is offered for any tangi-

Elopes with Married Man; Caught. The Quincy police intercepted Miss Mary McGeen, who had eloped from to have no relatives. Galesburg. Hough went on to St. Louis.

THING THAT COURTS IN COMMON SENSE.



I have come to the conclusion, not very original one, perhaps, that the kernote of our existence is common sense, and that the reason why so many likes are "like sweet bells jangled out of tune" is that there is never enough of this invaluable commodity to go around.

Common sense consists chiefly in going ahead and minding one's business, not to the entire exclusion of the neighbors or the disfegard of society. but keeping in view the fact that one's own family and household is the important thing to him. There are very few of us who can do more for the world than behave ourselves and bring up a respectable family. Come to think of it, this is a good deal, and more than many people accomplish,

Of ail things utterly devoid of common sense, that which we call society is most so. There is no telling just how far contrary to common sense this element will go if allowed to take its own road, and all for the reason that common sense people, being gifted with that most lovable quality, reticence, will sit back and let it go on

JULIET V. STRAUSS. with its fads and its foolishness, to the serious detriment of moral conditions and the complete demolition of that sociability and hospitality that characterizes new countries before the thing called society gets a footing.

Sometimes, in a country neighborhood or quiet street in town, one comes across a home in which there is absolutely no social ambition; a placid sort of stability seems to govern the establishment, there is an abundance of good things to eat and comfortable things to wear. The inmates of the home are deeply affectionate to one another and filled with kindly interest in the welfare of the neighbors. They are not ardent church people or club people, but somehow their fire burns clearer, their coffee smells better, there is a sort of radiant cheer about their kitchen. The men sit in the kitchen while the women get breakfast, and they pop corn and crack hickory nuts around the fire in winter evenings. There is a tone in their voices as they address each other that would wring the heart of a homeless man to bear.

When I have visited a home like this I have come away humbled at the realization of the superiority of common-sense people over those whose lives are warped by petty ambitions and silly striving, how simply they have adjusted themselves to the secret of existence! Kindness, bodily comfort, simple acceptance of life's mysteries, love of daily labor, satisfaction in the quiet accomplishment of manifest duties, without aspirations to seemingly "higher" things. When will the blinded world see things aright, and why has God given some people the knowledge that He has denied to so many?-Juliet V. Strauss, in Chicago Journal.

Popular Gience

It is estimated that Mexico will produce 50 per cent more copper this year than in any previous year.

In the crater of an extinct volcano in Researchy a diamond reef has been discovered by some Johannesburg pros-

The canal across Cape Cod will be constructed under the joint supervision of the railroad commission and the barbor and land commission of Massachusetts.

ed off Shameen, in Canton, where the recent fire occurred, are some four-storied buildings, and the lofty character of the buildings generally is in strong contrast with their sucroundings.

Light green jade is the favorite gen of China, and it is difficult to get the stone in uncut form even in China. Sometimes, says Consul General Wilder at Hongkong, a rich Chinaman's tate will consist, in part, of a lump of jade. Sometimes it can be obtained masses weighing one or two pounds. But even the leading jewelers of Hongkong usually obtain it in cut form.

One of the animal curlosities South America is the "oil-bird," or gua charo. It breeds in rocky caves on the mainland, and one of its favorite haunts is the island of Trivided. It lays its eggs in a nest made of mud. and the young birds are proligously fat. The natives melt the fat down in chay pots, and produce from it a kind of butter. The caves inhabited by the birds are usually accessible only from the sea, and the hunting of them is cometimes an exciting sport.

The great cataract in the New River, formed in the Imperial Valley, California, by the escape of the waters of

the Colorado River, has been likened to Nigara Falls. It varies from 90 to 100 feet in height, and is from 1,500 to 1,800 yards broad. It likewise resembles Niagara in eating backward or up-stream, but its progress in this direction is extremely rapid, amounting to about one-third of a mile pet day. This arises from the fact that the channel of the stream is cut through the fragile material deposited centuries ago by the Colorado River at the head of the Gulf of California. It is predicted that if the escape of the waters of the Colorado is not arrested before the cataract bas cut back far enough to unite the New River and the Alamo River, the Imperial Valley will be entirely deprived of its irriga-Among the new buildings being erect. tion streams. This cataract may be called "man-made," since its existence is due to his interference with the watern of the Colorado.

Golf and Heckey.

It is probable that the little boy in the street who calls a bockey stick a golf club is only speaking the truth a few centuries too late. There are many reasons to believe that the Scotch game of golf, sometimes called bandy ball in the old accounts of it, developed into hockey with a flavor of foot-ball about it when it came south, and this is borne out by an old 15th century print of two bandy-ball players in which the stick used, called bandy because bent, resembled a bockey stick for more than a golf club. The Gentleman's Magagine, in 1795, also mentions shinty as a Scotch game similar to guif, and another writer defines shinty as "an inferior kind of golf played by young people, and in London called bocker."

"Mrs. Brown says her baby can say all sorts of things," "But I can trust 1 she teaches it not to do so."- I'uck.

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