

# ILLINOIS STATE NEWS



Three Men Are Milled in Circus Fight at Mendota.

Three men were killed and at least u pre more were wounded in a circus riot in Mendota, which grew out of remarks made concerning a young woman who resides there. The girl in question went to supper the other night with one of the managers of the show and a fight started among the employes of the circus owing to some comments on this incident. By midnight citizens of the town had been drawn into the imbroglio and fighting was kept up until the show left the following afternoon. There was not much shooting in the affray, most of the wounds being inflicted with stakes and clubs. From a fist light the quarrel developed into a riot, in which all the employes of the circus and fully 100 citisens took part. The police and fire departments were called out to help the citizens before the intruders were chased from the streets. The citizens so outnumbered the showmen that the latter were finally defeated and fled to a train which was waiting at the station to move the show to Dixon. Several of the injured citizens were in such a serious condition that it was found necessary to remove them to a hospital. The circus people took all their injured with them

OWNS PENSION PLEA IS PALSE.

Second "Bill" Newby Confesses Effort to Detraud Government. Charles Perry Watson of Smithboro. the second "Bill" Newby, pleaded guilty In the United States District Court in Springfield to making false affidavit to ids application for pension. Judge Humphrey, in consideration of the fact that Watson's age is 65 years, fined him only \$500 and costs, and as Watson schedcharged at the expiration of thirty days. Watson, when the Civil War broke out, attached himself as a camp follower to Company B, One Hundred and Fifteenth Blinois volunteer infantry, being too young to enlist. He was the regiment's mascot until the regiment left for the erat of war. For forty years Watson has posed as a veteran of the Civil War in Bond county, going part of the time under the name of William Wooten, a member of Company B, One Hundred and Fifteenth Illinois infantry, but who died several years ago.

WOMAN REVEALS A MUNDER. Saye Man Thought to Br Train Vic-

tim Was Killed for Money. Ines Rowland of Adams county has took place in Murphysboro Oct. 12, 1898. The victim was William Porter, whose body was found mangled by a train. It was supposed that he had been the victim of an accident on the railway. It de velope through the conferment of the woman that John Thomas, now serving a 15year term in the Iowa penitentiary, was the murderer. He was recently given the annience on a charge of criminal assault. The woman would have confessed sooner. but she was in mortal fear that Thomas his bringing a roll of bills to her and compelling her to wash the blood stains from them, He had taken the money from the corpse of his victim. It is now planned to have Thomas removed from the penitentiary in lows and taken to

CRGED FOR NATIONAL COMMAND.

With the closing of the State eneampment the members of the G. A. R. are

coming Robert Mann Woods for na-



ous charge.

now a full-fledged candidate. He lives In Joliet and will have the aupport of Illinois delegates.

CALMLY LIES DOWN IN WOODS.

Aged Man Restn Head on Bark, Creases Hands on Brenst, and Dies. Shortly after 7 o'clock Sunday morning mushroom hinter found the dead body of an aged man in Stebbins' woods, five miles southeast of Freeport. The man apparently was about the years old, and was dressed like a well-to-do farmer. On his person were three \$20 bills and 64 cents in change, but nothing by which he id be identified. There was no signs foul play or suicide. He had hain beside a pile of cordwood and had Sently tried to shelter himself from he weather by placing bark under his head and pieces of cordwood around him. His feet were crossed and his hands ded across his breast as though he had appeared himself for death.

LOSES HIS \$15,000 SUIT.

Appellate Court Deutes Thomas Momen Rebensing of Damage Case. The Appellate Court in Springfield de sted a rebearing to Thomas Moran, a resiof Logan county, in his suit for 15,000 against the estate of William R. The of Bloomington. The case grows out of the well-known patent farm gate in which hundreds of people are al-Tota have been swindled by White. a la now dead. The rehearing was ded to Moram on the ground that he has at suffered any loss, as the notes which on to White had never been col-

Baytlem Spoiled by Thiet. Thile forty persons were being bap the Ohio river at Cairo, a thie the clothes of twelve, some of them and the converts were compelled dripping on the bank or in the transfer other apparel was found. ou are sick from exposure.

and Posteller Landed.

sport the postoffice and Moore

frod Box' hardware stores

State News in Brief. The fifty-seventh annual meeting of the Illinois Medical Association was held at

Rockford. Harry B. Gough, president of Hedding coffege, Abingdon, has resigned owing to

The Thomas house, the leading hotel in Fairbury, burned to the ground with all the furnishings, making the loss over

Heary Bertholf, while seated at a writing desk in his room in Kewance, composing a letter to relatives at Augusta. Sharp, 15 years old. of Centralia, en-

At a school election held in Norris City it was voted to bond the town for \$8,000 with which to build a two-story brick school building. The election held for subdistrict secre-

tary-treasurer in the counties of Bureau, La Saile, Grundy, Marshall and Putnam by the miners was tallied up and Joseph Yearsley of Spring Valley was the win-Reports from various grain dealers

show that 5,000,000 bushels of corn were sold in McLean county the other day, which is more than on any previous day recorded. Nearly all farmers have been waiting for 50-cent corn.

O. E. Shonts, a Kapkakee fisherman, made a strange catch when in running and two of them died before reaching his night line he brought to the surface the body of a negro. It is thought the nan is Robert Macklin, who fell from a bridge and was drowned.

The fifth triennial State convention, Maccabees of the World, closed in Bloomington with the election of the following officers: Great commander, J. F. Dowper, Chicago; great record keeper, Thos. M. Doig, Chicago; great finance keeper, Weldon Clark, Chicago; great medical examiner, Dr. A. H. Gordon, C.Acago.

Bertha Walters, the 13-year-old daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Walters of Fulton, has been lured away from her home to Chicago, it is believed, by a woman, and friends fear she is a victim of the white slave trade. The girl, although 13 years of sge, is large for her age. The police of Chicago have been asked to search for her.

Miss Hazel Case, daughter of the manager of the Hotel Bishop in Aurora, was married a mouth ago to William T. Deisel of Lines, Objo, but the announcement was only made the other day. The bride was a prominent member of the famous T. H. E. Club of Aurora. Many elopements have occurred among the members Miss Case formerly was an actress.

The freight handlers of the Burlington freight house at Aurora struck for an increase of 10 per cent in wages. The men were getting 15 cents an bour. One of the men said: "It is dead wrong for us, born here in this country and obeying Butledge, a painter of Rock Island. The all injunctions that go with our rights as American citizens, to work for \$1.50 a day when foreigners are being paid

According to statements made by General Manager Graber and Chief Engineer Breckinridge of the Burlington road to boy named Otto Smith came to their Mayor E. C. Finch, City Attorney C. F. | cabin, They were out of work, ill, dia-Clyne and Alderman Fred Fauth of Auspend \$2,000,000 on improvements in Au- for two weeks. At the end of that time rora before long. This includes a hand- Paul and Smith were restored to health tracks, new freight yard, new locomotive were successful and each accumulated a shop and new freight houses.

Plunging bravely into the waters of school teacher, from drawning in Peoria. For his deed he will be recommended for a Carnegie medal. Mrs. Love, a teacher at the Webster school, had taken her pupils to Al Fresco Park, and while en-Robert Manu Woods Is a Candidate tertaining them fell into the atream. She had gone down the second time when she was rescued by the brave boy Highwood, the city on the outskirts of

Fort Sheridan, narrowly encaped being burned to the ground the other day. A two-story building occupied by a shoe store and an ice cream parlor was burn-There was no water with which to fight the flames and the whole city turned out, fearful that the fire would spread. The wind, however, sent the sparks westward over the railroad tracks, where there were few houses to be endangered, Joseph Seagart is lying at the point of death in Cedar Point, and a dozen Lithnaniana are under arrest for assault. On a recent afternoon Seagart rode 'up to the only saloon in the little mining camp and while scated on his broncho went through the door and into the middle of a gang of foreigners drinking at the bar. They scattered and as soon as Seagart came out attacked him with stones and long-bladed knives. Physicians say his of water per minute," recovery is doubtful.

Seven patients in the epileptic ward at the Illinois eastern insane hospital is Kankakee have been strangely affected for several days with an illness that is mystifying the authorities and the members of the medical staff. One of the number died and two others are in a critical condition. A post-mortem examination of the dead man showed that he died cerebro meningitis. The symptoms were those of ptomaine poisoning. The men have been removed to the infirmary and placed on a milk diet as a precau-

The Illinois State Bar Association will hold its annual meeting at Galesburg July 10, 11 and 12, and during these days the lawyers of the State will have an opportunity to discuss the topics of special interest to them. Edward Morse Shepard of New York will deliver the annual address. The subject of general discussion this year will be railroad rate legislation. James H. Wilkerson of Chicago will lead the argument for the af-Semative and John M. Zane will take the negative side's leadership. Others on the program for the session are Judge Olson of the municipal court on "The Municipal Court of Chicago," A. Hanby Jones on "The Pure Food Law" and Frank F. Reed of Chicago on "A Graduated Inheritance Tax."

Miss Hilds Schonder, aged 19, a high school pupil, committed suicide in Belleriller by taking carbolic acid. The police are unable to discover any motive for the girl's act. Her family is prominent in Belleville and she was a member of the younger society element.

Mrs. James A. Clyne, wife of one of the leading physicians of Joliet, was fatally burned at her home in the Swinbank Terrace. Her husband, a brother of Postmaster John T. Clyne, was painfully burned while attempting to save his wife.

Mrs. Clyne had gone to the kitchen to

SALOONKERPER HELD GULLY.

Gave Bonstful Boy Quart of Gla and Youth Died.

Edward Reeuer, a former salooukeeper of Carlyle, has been declared guilty of manslaughter by a jury in the Circuit Court. This means not less than one, nor more than fourteen, years in the penitentlary if the verdict stands. His attorneys will ask for a new trial. This is probably the end to the famous gin drinking case which originated from the Reener saloon about a year ago. Edwin tered the place and boasted of his ability to drink a quart of gin if anybody would pay for it. Albert Yunker told Reener to furnish the gin, which he did, and he would pay for it. Young Sharp emptied the bottle and died from the effects the next day. The boy's parents caused Reener and Yunker to be indicted for manslaughter. The manslaughter charge against Yunker was dismissed by the State's Attorney. The defendant has a wife and five small children. Being a green hand in the saloon business, he claimed that he was ignorant of the deadly effect of a quart of gin on a human being.

ALLEGE ODD PENSION GRAPT.

Federal Sleuths Clatza Double for Famous Bill Newby Case. The famous "Bill Newby pension case will have a double at the June term of the United States District Court, which will be held in Springfield, commencing Monday, June 3, according to detectives, Chief Deputy United States Marshal Barkely has brought to that city from his home, ten miles from Smithboro, Bond county, Charles Perry Watson, alias William Wooten, who was indicted by the grand jury at the January term of court at Quincy charged with making a false affidavit to an application for pension. It is alleged by the government that one William Wooten enlisted in an Illinois regiment and after the war secured a pension and died several years ago and that Watson two years ago made application for a pension, claiming that he was William Wooten and that his right name was Charles Perry Watson, but that he was bound out in Madison county when the

KIND DEED OF LONG AGO.

Civil War broke out and that he rat

away and enlisted at Flora, Ill., under

the assumed name of William Wooten,

under which he served during the war,

Rock Island Couple Who Aided Siek Cowborn in 1890 Receive Sequest. Two weeks' hospitality, extended to a sick and homeless cow puncher seventeen years ago, has brought a reward of \$40,-000 worth of Colorado land to Wilbur L. bequest was made by II. Paul, who died recently, possessed of considerable property lying near Dotsierra, Colo. In 1890 Mr. and Mrs. Rutledge were living in the Colorado mountains for their headth. One winter night Paul and another cowcouraged, and penniless. The Rutledges and again took up the struggle. Both modest fortune. They never forgot the act of kindness that caused them to the Illinois river, Frank Burg, aged 14 abandon their plan to turn their backs years, saved Mrs. Minnie B. Lore, his on the West and I'nuf's bequest is the climax of a number of substantial tokens conferred upon the Rutledges.

Jollet Privilege Increased to \$10,-

487 by Drainage Canal.

No. 1 in Joliet by the State canal commissioners to the Economy Light and Power Company will expire in 1916. The original 20-year lease was made in 1855, with the privilege of extending it for two The annual rental was \$720 per year. Some idea of the additional value given by the construction of the drainage channel can be gained from the following resolution adopted in 1896; "Resolved, That

from the 1st day of October, 1900, the annual rental to be paid, under the terms and conditions of lease made by the canal trustees to Henderson Howk and John B. Preston, July 17, 1855, and assigned to the Economy Light and Power Company for water power at dam No. 1. be fixed at \$10,457 per annum, for the unexpired term of said lease, based upon a continuous flow of 300,000 cubic feet

TWO RAILROADS RAISE WAGES.

Voluntary Increase Surprises Employes of Steel Corporation Lines. Employes of the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern and the Chicago, Lake Shore and Eastern railroads, which are owned by the United States Steel Corporation. were surprised the other day to receive notice that their wages, dating from May 1, had been raised. The skilled employee get an increase of 30 cents a day, and the common laborers 15 cents a day. This applies to employes in the yards and shops, as well as on the roads. About 1,000 men are affected.

ROBBED OF \$12 AND KICKED OUT.

Night Watchman at Aurora Has Weird Experience in New Job. Fred Martin went on duty as a night watchman at the Fox River Bleaching Company in Aurora for the first time the other night and four hours after he had been on duty, even before he had time to grow familiar with his job, a desperado walked in, held him up, and took twelve dollars away from him. Then taking Martin by the coat collar he walked him from the building to the outside, gave him several kicks, and told him to never come back. He has resigned his position.

Raise Fare on State Militia. Informal notice has been served upon the adjutant general that in event of the 2-cent rate becoming effective the railroads will require the State to pay the maximum rate in the transportation of the State militia to and from Camp Lincoin during the annual encampment and at all other times. Heretofore a uniform rate of 1 cent a mile has prevailed in the transportation of the military.

Patally Shot by Policeman. In an attempt to arrest five men Offcer Sheehan of Sterling shot and killed Michael Grady.

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The present boy's father didn't have football and he didn't have Roosevelt, and he didn't have some other things that are supposed to develop hardihood But he could be handled with impunity and to his own great advantage. His father could take him out in the woodshed and apply the shingle or the strap, with no result except the young ster's improvement.

When he cut up at school the school master could flog him, and the only result was that he took more pains not to be caught. He are everything he could get hold of; he had a bully good time, except for brief intervals of cast gation, and he wasn't bothered with any philosophy of life.

But his son is a very different kind of a boy. If the schoolmaster flogs bius he pulls out his "gun" and shoots him If his father sends him on an errand be declares that he has been humillated and goes out in the barn and hangs himself. If his mother scoids him for coming into the bouse with out wiping his feet he drinks carbolic

Clifford Wilson, whose father is prosperous New Yorker, with a sumupbraided by his mother because be spent all his time reading and wouldn't take proper care of his clothes and personal appearance. Of course, the boy never does until he meets the girl. but it is equally a matter of course that his mother will try to make him profit by occasional confidential interviews

with his looking glass. Undoubtedly Clifford's grandmother scolded Clifford's father for not washing his face and keeping his clothes clean and putting on his necktie, and no harm came of it. But Clifford is

Where on earth did language of that sort get into his head? What does the modern boy read? Why can't be be scolded and spanked as his father was without writing dissertations on life and seeking repose by means of the store polish or the clothes line or flight into the wide world?-Philadelphia

Rat and Crab in Battle. D. L. Van Culin, a Paducah, Kr. stationer, is fond of salt water crabs Receiving a consignment from Maine, he took one out to experiment with They were numb from the ice packing and one placed by the warm stove began to exhibit signs of life.

"I will just leave him there and see how long a crab can live out of water, Van Culiu explained as he locked his store for the night.

The stationer found no crab when he returned. A thorough search of the ground floor failed to reveal anything. but a peculiar knocking sound from upstairs attracted his attention. On the top step of the stairs he found the trouble. The crab, with his grippers fast in the sides of a fat rat, was clinging to his captive. The rat, nearly dead, struggles feebly for release and little by little wormed his way upstairs with the weight of the crab pull-

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