

JOHNSON KNOCKS AT DEATH'S DOOR

Minnesota Governor Very Low After Operation for Old Wound.

MAY LIVE THROUGH NIGHT

On Operating Table for Three Hours—Fistula and Hernia Are Found in Abdomen—Passes First Crisis of Shock.

ROCHESTER, Minn., Sept. 15.—Governor John A. Johnson, who was operated on in St. Mary's Hospital here today for an intestinal abscess, was somewhat improved late tonight and his physicians said that he would survive the night. Dr. C. F. McNewin, house physician, issued the following bulletin:

"Governor Johnson has taken a turn for the better. His pulse is better, being down to 140. His abdominal pains have been relieved by vomiting and he has apparently successfully passed through the first crisis of the shock following the operation. He is still restless, but I have hope that soon he will be enabled to get him to sleep. His temperature is almost normal."

Governor Johnson was on the operating table nearly three hours. The operation, it was said, was highly successful, although more severe than anticipated. An old abscess was found that had left a fistula in the abdomen and this was removed as well as the hernia growth.

DEMOCRATIC LEADER IN CRITICAL CONDITION AFTER OPERATION.



GOVERNOR JOHN A. JOHNSON, OF MINNESOTA.

REPORT IS NOT ENCOURAGING

Governor's Secretary Fails to Secure Optimistic News.

ST. PAUL, Sept. 15.—When Frank A. Day, Governor Johnson's secretary, telephoned to Rochester this afternoon for information about the Governor's condition, State Senator H. H. Wheeler, who was present through the operation, made a report that was not very optimistic.

Secretary Day received a telephone report this afternoon from Dr. William Mayo, who said that he found a chronic obstruction of the bowels and an abscess. These were removed. Mr. Day said that Dr. Mayo told him that the operation was serious, but he believed the Governor would come out all right.

FROM TEACHER TO GOVERNOR

Contender for Presidential Nomination, Thrice Honored.

From a clerk in a country store to schoolteacher, from a pedagogue to Governor. This was the boast of the Democratic party of Minnesota when they elected John A. Johnson for a third term in 1908. Johnson's rapid rise from an "unknown" to a National figure and his meteoric political career were the points to which the Johnson wing of the Democratic party pinned their claims when an effort was made to shove him to the front and beat Bryan for the Presidential nomination in 1908. The fight was one of the most bitter in the history of the party. Bryan attacked Johnson from all angles, claiming that he was the tool of the enemies of reform. The Minnesota man came back with the charge that Bryan was a radical, pointing to his many defeats to show that he was not wanted by the people.

Henry Waterson championed Johnson's cause. In fact, it was Waterson who first mentioned the Governor for the Presidential nomination. Johnson was so strong in his support of Johnson and so bitter in his editorial attacks on the Comstock that there was much speculation as to whether he would support the "Peoples' Leader" if nominated.

On Bryan's pre-convention tour of the East he called upon Waterson and is said to have shown the Southern editor that he had enough votes to win in the convention. This switched Waterson to the strong side and his newspaper was significantly silent thereafter on the Johnson boom.

In the 1908 Minnesota gubernatorial campaign the Republicans realized that they must capture the Swede vote or lose. They nominated a Swede and to offset the Democratic slogan of "school-teacher candidate" the Republicans went Johnson one better by declaring that their man ate pie with a knife and soup like a walrus.

Johnson won, but the remainder of the ticket went Republican.

Johnson is a native of Minnesota. His parents were both born in Sweden. He was educated in the public schools of his native state and afterward attended the University of Pennsylvania, where he secured the degree of LL. D.

HOLD-UP PRICE ALLEGED

Improvement Association to Urge Condemnation of Albers Site.

A recommendation that the city proceed at once to condemn the Albers Brook dock property, extending for 650 feet along the waterfront and taking in the old Greenwich dock near the Albina ferry, will probably be passed at tomorrow night's meeting of the North East Side Improvement Association.

Councilman Meneffe, of the Ninth Ward, and ex-Judge Munly, said last night that Manchester & Co., agents for parties owning waterfront property just north of the Albers dock, have submitted a written offer to sell 300 frontage for \$250,000. The tract is 412 feet in depth. Members of the executive board of the improvement association, when interviewed last night, said they consider the price asked by Albers Bros., \$150,000 for 70 feet of waterfront, as "hold-up."

"We intend to submit to Mayor Simon a recommendation to either condemn the Albers' property by action in court, or to purchase the other tract," said Judge Munly last night. "The property can be used both for a public dock and a bridge, as the piers can be set far enough out for the convenience of ships. The bridge will be 55 feet above water level. The price asked by Albers Bros. is absurd. It looks to me like a scheme to hold up the city."

Joe Buchtel, a member of the association, said that property isn't worth anything like what Albers Bros. are asking for it. I think the city should condemn it. We should go ahead with this bridge at once, and the West Side people ought to take as much interest in it as the East Siders. By the time the bridge is up there will be 50,000 or 70,000 people north of Sullivan's Gulch.

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For trunks go to the Harris Trunk Co.

BACKS NAVY VERDICT

Autopsy Fails to Shake Sutton Suicide Theory.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—Although the report of Surgeon Speare, of the Navy, who made the autopsy at Arlington, Md., on the body of Lieutenant Sutton, has not been submitted to the Navy Department, it is known that the autopsy disclosed nothing inconsistent with the theory that the Lieutenant shot himself, either accidentally or with suicidal intent. In fact, the surgeon's report is to support the original verdict that the Lieutenant shot himself.

The bruise on the side of the face did not extend below the skin. The heat made by the bullet in the cranium showed distinct traces of powder marks, and the bruise extending from the bullet wound outward was such as might have been made by the gas generated by the powder at very close range. Moreover, the report will show that the wound was of a character that could have been inflicted by Lieutenant Sutton himself without his arms being in an abnormal position.

BAILEY AGAIN PRESIDENT

Pure Bred Livestock Association Elects Officers.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—At the annual meeting of the Oregon Pure Bred Livestock Association this evening the old officers of the association were all re-elected, as follows:

President, J. W. Bailey; secretary, N. C. Maris; vice-president, George Chandler; second vice-president, D. H. Looney.

The following executive committee was chosen: J. W. Bailey, president; P. A. Frakes, Henry West, D. H. Looney, C. L. Hawley, W. A. Jones, San Francisco.

Interesting talks were delivered by Mr. Bailey, E. O. Lively, of Portland; E. P. Weir, of Airle; George Chandler, of Baker City; and Thomas Withycombe, of the Livestock Association will give a big banquet Thursday evening on the grounds.

SUICIDE THREAT FULFILLED

California Man Shoots Wife and Then Hangs Himself.

UKIAH, Cal., Sept. 15.—Carrying out a threat made to his wife before he shot and fatally wounded her on the main street last night, Stewart F. Fandre, a farmer of Sonoma County, hanged himself to a tree in the orchard of Robert McGarvey today and then shot himself through the temple with the revolver he had used in the attempt to slay his wife.

Fandre, when he ended his life, was being pursued by a posse of citizens and Deputy Sheriffs.

CHAMPIONS TO CLASH

PRESIDENT HEYDLER ARRANGING FOR WORLD'S SERIES.

Four Clubs Will Take Part in Post-Series Games—Division of Gate Receipts a Question.

CHICAGO, Sept. 15.—(Special.)—August Herrmann, chairman of the National Baseball Commission, arrived in Chicago today preparatory to the meeting of the commission, which will be held tomorrow. President Heydler, of the National League, is expected to reach the city early tomorrow morning. Details of the world's championship series will be mapped out at this session.

The schedule will be tentatively framed up, four clubs being figured on, Chicago and Pittsburgh in the National League, and Detroit and Philadelphia in the American League. Schedules on the games for Pittsburgh and the Tigers and Athletics and Cubs against those two teams will be figured out but not until the championship in each league has been definitely determined.

There has been much discussion of the changes in the division of money that goes to the players who make the fight. Under rules at present, a percentage of the gate receipts of the first four games, after 15 per cent of the gross amount has been taken out for the commission, is put in a pot for the players and held in trust by the commission. When the series is over, the winner draws 60 per cent of the pot and the losers 40. It is now suggested that the percentage basis be eliminated entirely and a certain amount be set aside every year from the receipts of the games.

In addition the commission must decide on a business representative to take the place of John Heydler. Charles C. Williams, treasurer of the Chicago club, and Frank C. Baumgart, secretary of the Cincinnati club, are the two men under consideration.

BIG LEAGUERS SURE TO COME

Philadelphia Americans and Chicago Cubs May Play on Coast.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 15.—(Special.)—The proposition to bring the Philadelphia Americans and a team representing the National League to the Pacific Coast for a series of games at the end of the season, was more fully explained tonight by L. Cal Ewing.

"No announcement had been made," he said, "because of the request of Connie Mack, who declared that he did not want it given out until after his season had closed. Win or lose the American League pennant, the Philadelphia Americans have promised to make the trip to

COAST. Rather than a picked team representing the National League, we would prefer some club, and it is possible that the Chicago clubs will be induced to come West.

"Our idea is to have the two Eastern teams divide when they arrive, playing a series each with San Francisco and Los Angeles. Then they can play together both in Los Angeles and San Francisco, which will give them at least a month on the Coast."

Work of Cleaning Houses.

At the Clearing House section meeting the report of the secretary of this branch of the American Bankers' Association, which is carrying on a vigorous campaign advocating the appointment of Clearing House examiners, was read.

"The advantages of this plan," the report ran, "have been clearly set forth in many ways. It is conceded that the adoption of the plan would put banking on a higher plane and would be of lasting benefit to the public."

"Cleaning House cities in which examiners are now in vogue are as follows: Chicago, Philadelphia, St. Louis, San Francisco, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Kansas City, and St. Joseph, Mo."

"The section has now under consideration the working out of a plan for a uniform method of reporting the weekly exchanges by all the associations of the country and feels confident some system of accounting may be evolved which will be generally put into force."

"The section has also started to do all in its power to suppress the business known as 'note-killing' by giving publicity to this business carried on by so-called brokers."

"The committee on protective laws reported to the trust company section that its efforts to protect the word 'trust,' to provide for efficient state supervision and to place in the category of crime the circulation of false reports of a bank's condition, have been particularly effective. Seventeen states have already en-

GOLD ONLY SAFE RESERVE OF BANK

Great Stress Laid on Yellow Metal by President of Clearing-House.

TRUST COMPANIES' WORK

Diverse Laws Prevent Uniform Practice—Bankers' Convention Hears of Campaign for Rigid Examination.

CHICAGO, Sept. 15.—Two great divisions of the banking business, the trust companies and the clearing-house, occupied the attention of the delegates to the American Bankers' Association convention here today. Before the trust company section the principal address was made by Daniel S. Remsen, of the New York bar, who spoke on the "Post Mortem Administration of Wealth."

Strong indorsement of gold as the only safe reserve fund for a bank was the burden of the annual address of E. C. McDougall, president of the clearing-house section. The new president of the section, Sol Wexler, of New York, urged the members' consideration of the adoption of uniform rates of charges for all items of business transacted by one bank for another bank and also suggested that action be planned looking to the establishment of uniformity in settling daily clearances.

Functions of Trust Companies.

In the trust company section the delegates discussed problems relative to trust companies, among which were "The Limitations of the Functions of a Trust Company," the "Duties and Responsibilities of Trustees Under Corporate Mortgages, and Mortgages as Investments for Savings of a Trust Company."

The delegates held various views on most of the problem, explaining that the state laws differed so greatly that uniformity in practice was next to impossible.

H. P. McIntosh, president of the Guardian Savings & Deposit Co., of Cleveland, Ohio, was elected president of the trust company section. Among those elected to places on the executive committee are John D. McKee, vice-president of the Merchants Trust Company, San Francisco, and Edwin Chamberlain, vice-president of the San Antonio Loan & Trust Company, San Antonio, Tex.

The Presidential reception and ball tomorrow night will be the chief social feature of the convention.

War Clouds Vanishing

Peru and Bolivia Settle Boundary Differences.

RIO DE JANEIRO, Sept. 15.—The Journal of Commerce in its issue of yesterday said that telegrams from the Pacific Coast announced that an agreement between the governments of Peru and Bolivia, on the recent boundary dispute, which at one time threatened to plunge these states into war, had been or was on the point of being signed.

The basis of the understanding is the decision in this dispute handed down by President Alcorca, of Argentina, on July 3 last, and this decision is, by the terms of the new agreement, recognized by Bolivia.

PHELPS STARTS PROBE

PROSECUTOR WORRIES PEN-DLETON BOOTLEGGERS.

PENDELTON, Or., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—District Attorney G. W. Phelps sprang a decided surprise today, when he called witness after witness before the grand jury to testify relative to alleged violations of the local option law.

His action seems to indicate that he has been doing some observing on his own account, and that regardless of the

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acted suitable legislation. Florida also protects more or less adequately the word "bank."

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