HOW DENVER IS ROBBED BLIND

Judge Lindsay Says Pillage Has Netted $200,000,000—Supreme Court Justices Bought or Bullied—Exposure Forthcoming.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Seattle, Aug. 14.—"The city of Denver has been robbed of $200,000,000 by corrupt corporations," was the statement of Judge Ben B. Lindsay, the celebrated juvenile court judge of Denver, at the Y. M. C. A. building today to a representative of the United Press. Judge Lindsay is in the city to attend the sessions of the American Prison association.

Beginning with the October issue of Everybody's Magazine, there will appear a series of articles from the pen of the noted jurist describing conditions of alleged graft in the city of Denver. These articles are expected to create a tremendous sensation.

"I will tell," said Judge Lindsay today, "how certain representatives of great and corrupt corporations 'fixed' the supreme courts and how they selected their own court officers, and I will name the men. I will tell how they tried to fix me, how they threatened and coerced, how they took me out one night in a carriage and how first they flattered, then offered money and then threatened me with ruin. I will tell how they tried to murder me and how a deputy sheriff saved my life. Seattle is as bad as Denver, and Denver is as good as Seattle.

"My story does not apply to Denver alone. It could be applied to almost any city of importance in the United States.

"Crime is on the increase, and will be until the economic and what are known as social conditions have been changed for the better."

FOUND WAY TO GET SMALL COIN

Inventor of Scenic Railway Pays Visit to Portland.

A. L. Thompson, a young man with an ambition and health recently restored by a residence close to nature in the Rocky mountains, stood looking at the crowding throngs of New York's Coney island. He might have been given credit for being a humanitarian or a psychologist, his gaze was so intent. But he was merely thinking:

"How could I fix it so that every one of those people might contribute a nickel to my comfort?"

Once he had learned the trade of wheelwright, and carriage maker. So the idea of wheels entered his head. This was in accord with the disposition of the crowd to be endlessly on the move. He added a truck to his wheels. Then with the necessity for staying in the same locality he thought a track would be about right.

Thus the scenic railroad was invented.

Mr. Thompson, a millionaire because of dimes and nickels collected from 38 scenic railroads, was found at the Cornelius this morning. A quarter of a century has passed since he gazed at the Coney Island crowd, but in face and manner he is little older. The only difference is that this youthful ambition has been realized and his hair has become a bit white.

But his laugh was that of a boy as he exclaimed, "I've had a mighty good time figuring out ways and means to entertain folks. I built the first one right there on Coney Island where I watched the crowd. I was so secretive for a while that everyone thought I was crazy. I just went ahead building my little switch back track, planning to push the cars to the top of the elevation by hand. I brought one of the cars over in the night and tried it. It worked. New York went wild as New York does. I cleared between $7000 and $8000 the first season.

"Time went on and improvements became necessary. The scenic features were added. Operations were conducted by machine power rather than by men. Safety devices were installed. The tracks were increased in length. At this time I made what I considered an important discovery.

"It was that connections between trucks, instead of between the body of your car, as couplings are made between railroad rolling stock, saved power and tilts on curves and rough places. With connections made between the bodies of the cars the grind is on the outer edge of the track. With trucks connected together, the pull is inward and saves 50 per cent of the power. President Pullman of the Pullman company—he is dead now—thought like I did. He subjected the idea to rigorous test, then he wrote me saying that its installation was impossible, because it would be necessary to change the method of construction used in all cars."

Mr. Thompson owns the scenic railroad on Council Crest. He thinks the local contrivance has the most beautiful location of all in his possession. He is getting ready to spend a great deal of money on the track, beautifying the scenic features, removing the rough places and adding every possible device that makes for safety.

"My wife thinks Portland so beautiful that she would like to buy property here," he said, concluding a conversation. "Indeed, I am of the same mind myself. We have near New York, on Long Island sound, a very beautiful home and a large tract of land surrounding, but this city, it seems to me, would make an ideal summer residence, and I would like to obtain several acres of ground close to the city, where the view is uninterrupted."

Mr. Thompson will remain in Portland a few days, then go to Los Angeles, where he has relatives and property interests.

OLD WHITE HOUSE TRACT FINDS BUYER

C. D. Bruun, general manager of the Blake-McFall company, has closed a deal with Harry L. Corbett for the purchase of the old White House property on the Macadam road. The tract contains eight acres, overlooking the Willamette river and commanding an unusually fine view of a large section of country east of the river. Mr. Bruun paid $40,000 for the property, which was at the rate of $5000 an acre.

While it is not definitely known what the purchaser intends doing with the tract, it is understood that a part will be reserved as a site for a handsome residence to be erected by the owner, and the remainder will be subdivided and sold to prospective builders of summer homes. The sale of the property was negotiated through the agency of Chapin & Herlow.

PRISON REFORM ADVOCATES MEET

American Association's Annual Convention at Seattle for Six Days.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Seattle, Aug. 14.—Colonel Griffith J. Griffiths of Los Angeles, secretary of the Prison Reform league, was the first delegate to the American Prison Reform association congress to arrive in Seattle. The congress will open tonight. The sessions will be held at the Y. M. C. A. auditorium on the exposition grounds and will continue six days.

"Washington's system of dealing with criminals is wrong," declared Colonel Griffiths. "The Washington system is perhaps no worse than any other penal system in this country founded on the wrong idea that society should revenge itself on the criminal. We believe the prisons should merely restrain the criminal from doing further injury and reform him so that afterward he can go out a useful citizen."

Colonel Griffiths is an authority on prison matters, having served two years in San Quentin penitentiary for assault with a deadly weapon. He will deliver an address at the Prison Association congress.

Prison Association Meeting.

A number of important prison reforms will be considered at the convention of the Prison association. More than 300 delegates will be in attendance including members of boards of prison managers, physicians and chaplains and delegates appointed by the various state governments.

Among the subjects to be considered and discussed will be "State Reformatories for Young Men and Their Functions," "Prevention and Reformatory Work," "Supervision of Paroled Prisoners," "The Advisability of Laws Compelling the Examination of All Prisoners Charged With Any Offense Against the Law by a Physician Before Trial in Any Court of Justice," "School of Instruction for Prison Officials," "The Parole of Life Prisoners," "County Jails," "Prison Discipline," "The Warden and His Work," "How Should Prisoners Be Treated," "The Mental and Physical Characteristics of the Criminal and Degenerate," "Prison Tuberculosis," "Discharged Prisoners," "The Duty of Prison Management to Society," "Agricultural Work for Convicts," and many others.

The list of prominent speakers will include Judge Ben B. Lindsey of Denver; Bishop Samuel Fallows of Chicago; Ernest F. Bicknell of Washington, D. C.; D. H. Tribou, chaplain of the U. S. navy; Mrs. Maud Ballington Booth of New York; Judge Frank J. Murasky of the supreme court of California; Dr. Daniel Phelan of Kingston, Ont.; J. A. Herring, Huntsville, Texas; Rabbi Samuel Koch, Seattle and many others.

Arrivals of Delegates.

A section of three special cars, coming in over the Canadian Pacific, brought 50 delegates from Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Canada last night, including the president of the association, Dr. J. T. Gilmour of Toronto, and the first vice president, Frederick G. Pettigrove of Boston. Delegations from Virginia, Ohio and Indiana included 150 more. Representatives from St. Louis and St. Paul and points in the middle west are arriving today. The Pacific coast will be heavily represented. Registration of the delegates took place today at the Y. M. C. A.

Corwin S. Shank, chairman of the local general committee, will call the meeting to order tonight. Addresses of welcome will be delivered by Governor Hay and Mayor Miller.

After the annual address of the president, Dr. Gilmour of Toronto, an informal reception for the delegates will be held.

IRRIGATORS OFF FOR THEIR HOMES

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Spokane, Wash., Aug. 14. — Having completed the stormiest series of sessions in the history of the organization, the delegates to the National Irrigation congress are leaving for their homes today, leaving the controversy between Secretary of the Interior Ballinger and Chief Forester Pinchot to come up again at the conservation congress which will be held in Seattle week after next. It is also probable that the matter will be mentioned in some form at the Transmississippi congress to be held in Denver next week. Many of the delegates and government officials who were here will attend both the Seattle and Denver conventions, which will deal in a general way with much the same set of big principles.

One of the many features of the congress just closed was the adoption of a series of resolutions commending Chief Forester Pinchot and F. H. Newell, director of the reclamation service. Pinchot was championed chiefly by ex-Governor Pardee of California, and Pardee and his friends took upon the work of the resolutions committee as a victory for Pinchot. It is expected that the fight over what Pinchot termed the "Roosevelt policies" in connection with the public lands and the conservation of water power sites will be heard from in the coming conventions.

NEW REVOLT IN SPAIN

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Lisbon, Aug. 14.—Dispatches from eastern Spain, published here in the "Mundo," state that a revolt has broken out at Ampurdan, in the Halafrugell district in the extreme northeast of Spain. It is reported that the citizens have established a provisional republican government and refuse to recognize the suzerain of Alfonso.

A strong royalist force is en route from Barcelona to put down the new uprising, according to the Mundo.

DEVLIN'S CHARGES AGAINST RUFFNER FAIL

Charges of threatening to kill, placed against Ralph R. Ruffner, city ticket agent for the Texas & Pacific railroad, by Councilman Thomas C. Devlin, who was attacked by the railroad man in the lobby of the German-American bank August 3, were dismissed by Municipal Judge F. S. Bennett today on motion of the district attorney. Devlin did not appear.

SELIG QUALIFIES IN LAND DRAWING

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Roseburg, Or., Aug. 14.—Report that Isadore Selig of Myrtle Creek, who drew first prize in the Coeur d'Alene reservation, is unqualified because he has 460 acres of land, is incorrect. All he has is a house and two lots, worth about $1200.

SIX DEATHS FROM HEAT AT ST. LOUIS

(United Press Leased Wire.)

St. Louis, Aug. 14.—The heat which has caused six deaths and 38 prostrations in the last 24 hours, continues today. The suffering is intense and other deaths are expected.

HANDSOME HOME UNDER CONSTRUCTION FOR PORTLAND RAILWAY, LIGHT & POWER CO.

Structure Rising at Northeast Corner of Seventh and Alder Streets.

The Portland Railway, Light & Power company's Electric building, at the corner of Seventh and Alder streets will be completed, G. L. Linde, engineer in charge of construction, says, by the first of next March. The original plans to have the $275,000 structure finished by the first of the year have been changed because of the great difficulty found in putting up an office building over a power station that was continually running the cars, lighting the arcs, and operating the elevators of the entire west side.

The slightest misstep of a workman would mean his death. So far serious accidents have been averted but only by having a skilled electrical engineer constantly stand guard over the men to warn them if they come near a high charged wire.

The first five floors of the new building will be occupied by the power station and the offices of the company. The office rooms of the upper floors are for rent. President B. S. Josselyn of the company said this morning that most of the rooms had already been contracted for. The rents, he says, in this section are the highest in the city but offices in the vicinity have been found very desirable.

The main office entrance of the Electric building will be on Alder street, as will the main entrance to the power plant. An employes' entrance to the power plant will also be located on Seventh street. The lower two floors on the exterior will be of terra cotta facing, the remainder of the building, pressed brick. The steel frame of the structure is unusually heavy, and it has been found necessary to make the foundation of the upper stories rest on a different base than that of the power plant, in order that the jarring of the machinery might not be felt in the office rooms.

FRED MESSNER GETS FREEDOM

No Evidence on Which to Press the Charge of Murder.

Municipal Judge Frank S. Bennett today discharged Fred Messner, the barber arrested last Monday on a charge of murder. Deputy Coroner J. J. Dunning, complaining against Messner, averred that the man was responsible for the death of his 5-months-old child by reason of his refusing its mother to properly nurse and feed it.

"It is shown," said the court, "that the parents did not care for the child as they should, but there is not the slightest evidence of murder. There is no evidence to show that the husband did not care for the child and little that would lead the court to believe that there has been great negligence."

Dr. Clayton S. Seaman who first furnished information leading to Messner's arrest, to the coroner, declared that he could not swear that the babe had come to its death because of improper food and care.

Efforts to show that the baby had been allowed to remain alone at night in a cold attic were unsuccessful. Although Deputy District Attorney Frank Hennessy delivered a strong plea to the court, the judge declared there was no evidence to show that murder had been committed or that there was criminal negligence on the part of the parents.

When Messner was allowed to go free friends crowded about him and wife and kissed and embraced them. The wife threw her arms about Messner and hugged him fondly when he was allowed to step from the prisoner's box.

YOUNG SPORTS LAND IN CITY LOCKUP

E. J. Eckerson, 21 years old, and O. Lock, 24 years old, arrested last night at Grand and East Hawthorne avenues, on a charge of being out after hours by Sergeant Keller and Patrolman White, pleaded guilty in the municipal court today, and were each fined $20 by Judge F. S. Bennett.

Eckerson and Lock had been out in an automobile with two well known young women, both said to be members of prominent families. Some trouble arose, and the men are supposed to have told the women they would have to walk home. Quite an altercation was in progress when the officers arrived.

Chief Cox Goes to Seattle.

Chief of Police Cox and Captain of Detectives Baty left yesterday afternoon for Seattle where they will attend the Pacific Coast convention of prison wardens and police chiefs. Captain John T. Moore will act as chief of police until the return of Chief Cox next week.

THINKS HOME IS OF MUCH GOOD

Judge Bronaugh Does Not Coincide With Grand Jury.

The suggestion of the grand jury report that the detention home be abolished does not meet with the approval of Circuit Judge Bronaugh, who presides over the juvenile court and commits boys to that institution.

"We have no other place to send the boys," said Judge Bronaugh this morning. "It seems to me that such an institution is a necessity. Of course if the cost is excessive, or there is any mismanagement, that is a different matter, and should be corrected. I will investigate that part of it thoroughly, and just now am not prepared to be quoted in that regard, but I do not think we can get along without a detention home."

The grand jury criticism is based on two grounds, too much expense for the benefit derived, and alleged bad management. It is stated that $500 per month expense is too great when only nine to a dozen boys are in the charge of the institution. But Superintendent Baker says the expense is largely exaggerated, that the per capita cost of feeding attendants included, is less than $6 per month, and that the number of boys range from 11 to 35, with an average of 19, being lowest in the summer months.

Two or three weeks ago the grand jury made a preliminary report to Judge Bronaugh making criticism of the cost of the institution. This report was not made public, but it is learned that it contains no specific charges beyond those embraced in the final report of yesterday.

The Frazer detention home, as it is called, was named in honor of the late Judge Frazer, father of the juvenile court, and was one of his favorite projects. It was built with a view to the future and is used as a place for the temporary detention of boys who have been made wards of the juvenile court. Permanent commitments are made to the Boys' and Girls' Aid society, but that institution does not receive the boys unless there is prospect of permanent commitment.

Consorts of Fallen Women.

Accused of living off the earnings of fallen women, Erwin Hutchings, 23 years old and William Stewart, 27 years old, were sent to the county jail for a term of 90 days by Municipal Judge F. S. Bennett today and an additional fine of $100 each imposed. On notice of appeal the court fixed the bail at $400 each.

Hutchings and Stewart claim to be employes of the Tonopah saloon, Sixth and Davis streets. They are accused of having been hanging about with two girls, Lillian McCoy and May West, both of whom were fined $50 each.

FIND LOCATION MOST BEAUTIFUL

Landscape Artists Are Enraptured With Portland.

Mayor Simon and President Wetherbee of the Commercial club entertained a distinguished quintet of landscape artists and park superintendents today when they took J. W. Duncan of Boston, J. T. Withers of Jersey City, C. D. England of Victoria, B. C., Jackson Dawson of Boston and John Berry of Colorado Springs for an automobile trip over the city. The party was afterwards tendered a luncheon at the Commercial club by President Wetherbee.

J. W. Duncan, who is superintendent of the park department of Boston, famed as the finest park city in the United States, said after his trip that Portland is the most beautifully located city he has seen since coming out west. Mr. Duncan and the other park keepers are returning to their homes after having attended the national convention of park superintendents at Seattle.

The automobilists visited all the parks of Portland and were delighted with every site visited. They walked through Macleay park and were delighted with the possibilities of this wild and lovely bit of woodland. City park and the proposed park on Mount Tabor also brought forth many exclamations of pleasure.

Another party of park superintendents were expected in Portland today but owing to a breakdown of an automobile in which they had started from Seattle, they did not arrive.

WIDOW GETS ALL BILLETER PROPERTY

Jacob Billeter, known as James Billiter, has been appointed executor of the will of his father, B. Ed Billeter, in the county court. The will gives all property to the widow, Verena Billeter, for her lifetime, and provides for division at her death among sons, daughters and grandsons, three sons to receive $900 each and the widow of a deceased son $100, with an equal division of all remaining between the children. The First German Baptist church is given $100 for home missions, and an equal sum for foreign missions.

Bought Gun to Kill Cats.

"Infernal cats" which make slumber impossible about his home at night caused C. W. Semmes, a real estate salesman in the employ of the Bronz-Steel company, Second street, to pay a $25 fine in municipal court today. Semmes pleaded guilty to a charge of carrying concealed weapons.

Semmes borrowed a revolver last night hoping that he might kill a few of the midnight screamers. En route home he had a few drinks. In several places he brandished the weapon and was arrested by Patrolman Maddox.

20TH SESSION T.-M. CONGRESS

Developers of the West Meet at Denver—Vital Topics on Program.

Denver, Colo., Aug. 14.—Page after page of the Denver hotel registers filled today with the names of men of high positions in affairs of the nation and their respective states. Among them were United States senators, governors of states, mayors of cities, railroad magnates, diplomats and numerous representatives of boards of trade, chambers of commerce, manufacturing, mining, mercantile and traffic, livestock, immigration, drainage and waterway improvement associations throughout the land.

Those distinguished visitors, totalling several thousand, are the delegates to the twentieth annual session of the Transmississippi Commercial congress, which is to open in the auditorium Monday for a session of five days. The congress, which was organized at Kansas City in 1891 with Governor D. R. Francis of Missouri as its first president, has for its scope of operations the furthering of schemes of irrigation, dry farming, the improvement of the rivers and harbors and the conservation of the natural resources of the country in the states and territories west of the Mississippi.

Representatives of the Latin-American legations at Washington, under the guidance of Director Barrett of the International Bureau of American Republics, are to attend the meeting in the interest of a closer commercial union between the 20,000,000 people of the Transmississippi states and the nations which they represent.

Principal Topics.

Besides the question of closer relations with the southern republics, with especial reference to the early completion of the Panama canal and the consequent stimulating commercial development in the Transmississippi states, the following questions will come under discussion:

National defense, with especial reference to the needs of the Pacific coast and Hawaii; an adequate merchant marine and the need of government aid in its upbuilding and maintenance; conservation of natural resources, irrigation and reclamation of semi-arid lands, scientific dry farming, parcels post, postal savings banks, department of mines, immigration, good roads, sugar beet and cane industry, national finance, reform of the consular service, the Barataria and La Forege canals, drainage of submerged lands and separate statehood for Arizona and New Mexico.

Panama Pictures Show.

Evening illustrated lectures by government experts will be a feature at the auditorium during the congress. The object of the government is to explain to the people of the Transmississippi states, in the most effective way, the progress that has been made upon the public work upon which it is engaged. For this occasion especially new views have been taken upon the Panama canal, also views showing the progress of reclamation upon the various projects under way.

A very keen rivalry has sprung up among various cities for the honor of entertaining the congress next year. San Antonio, with the offer of a guaranty fund of $10,000 for the entertainment of the congress, appears to lead the race at the present time, though St. Paul, New Orleans, Los Angeles, St. Louis and Omaha are actively at work. Colonel Ike T. Pryor, a prominent Texas livestock man, who is now chairman of the executive committee of the congress, will probably be elected president to succeed Thomas F. Walsh.

HALF MILLION BACK TO ENTRY

Reclamation Project Lands in Three States Have Been Restored.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, Aug. 14.—Over half a million acres of land in California, Montana and Washington, formerly withdrawn in connection with reclamation projects, has been restored to entry subject to settlement in November, according to an announcement from the general land office today. The actual restoration took place July 23, it being the policy of the department not to make public facts concerning withdrawals or restorations until two weeks after the order has been signed by Secretary Ballinger or his assistant.

Of the land restored, 485,000 acres was formerly withdrawn in connection with the Milk river project in Montana, 115,000 acres in connection with the Colorado river project in California and 35,000 acres in the Yakima river, or Tieton, project in Washington.

STOPS FIGHT BUT MAKES NO ARREST

Thomas Jefferson Casey, Officer No. 13, yesterday morning, Friday, the thirteenth of August, rushed into the office of the city detective bureau, where he is now detailed, with his hands stained with blood.

"I just stopped a fight," he announced, and grinned.

"Have you arrested the fighters?" asked Detective Captain Baty.

"No," admitted Casey. The captain's brow darkened.

"And why did you not make any arrest?" asked the superior officer, with emphasis on the second word.

"Well, you see," explained Casey, "it was a rooster fight."

Casey arose yesterday morning at 13 minutes past 6 o'clock, ate breakfast and donned his uniform and star No. 13. He caught streetcar No. 113. He had ridden three blocks when a crowd which had collected at the corner of Glendina and Commercial streets caused him to get off. He found two roosters fighting.

This is the report he made to headquarters:

"At 13 minutes to 7 o'clock this morning I found a crowd at Glendina and Commercial streets watching a rooster fight. Both birds were worn out. I picked one up and carried it across the street and laid it in the grass. The other bird laid down for a while, but when it at last got up and found its opponent gone, it raised up and let out a big whoop.

"When the other rooster, lying in the grass, heard that crow, it hopped up and they commenced fighting again. It took me 13 minutes to get them apart."

Casey was 13 minutes late for work.

FOUND GUILTY BUT ESCAPE SENTENCE

J. H. Parsons, an employe of the arc department of the Portland Gas company, arrested on a charge of stealing gas mantles and other gas appliances, was found guilty in municipal court by Judge Bennett today and given a suspended sentence.

George Kold, arrested on a charge of robbing a gas meter, pleaded guilty, and was given a suspended sentence. He took $1.50 from a gas meter in his room, and promised the court to repay the gas company.

L. L. Levings, manager of the Western Detective Agency, special agent of the Portland Gas company, appeared against both men.

WHITWORTH PRESIDENT RESIGNS

Barend M. Koeze of College at Tacoma Severely Censures Board and Faculty of Institution Which, He Says, Is Tottering.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Tacoma, Wash., Aug. 14.—Barend M. Koeze, president of Whitworth college at Tacoma, has tendered his resignation with a demand that it be immediately accepted. Mr. Koeze states the reason for his action in plain English. Among other things he says:

"My resignation is the result of a year of turmoil in the board and faculty of Whitworth. The trouble has been occasioned by Dr. M. A. Matthews of Seattle, who has sought by sharp practice, and in a measure succeeded in dominating every phase of the college work and life.

"He has been aided in this by Dr. D. D. McKay, a friend, formerly pastor of the Grace Methodist church of Minneapolis, who was appointed dean last year and made a failure of the task. Dr. Roe succeeded McKay at my request but at a secret meeting Roe was deposed. This was also the work of Dr. Matthews of Seattle.

"Dr. Matthews is a strange and peculiar man. He has encouraged nepotism in the college and not long since succeeded in having Miss Belden, a cultured and refined member of the faculty, removed because she wore slippers instead of shoes. Miss Douglass and Miss Wilson are sisters of Seattle directors placed there by the influence of Dr. Matthews. The college is being slowly but surely undermined."

CLOUDS BURST OVER CHICAGO

Heaviest Rain for Years, With Severe Electrical Discharge.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Chicago, Aug. 14.—Downtown basements and streets were flooded this morning by the heaviest rain recorded in Chicago in years. In some places the water was a foot deep, the rainfall being accompanied by a severe electrical storm. Many wires are down but no fatalities have been reported.

In some sections of the city the rainfall reached the proportions of a cloudburst. In Irving Park the streets were inundated. Railroads this afternoon report a number of washouts, delaying trains in all directions. Street car traffic is delayed on account of trolley wires being down in many places. Lightning struck several buildings and heavy damage is reported from various parts of the city.

DETECTIVES SEEK HAYS, THE BANKER

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Aug. 14.—Detectives are seeking William Hays, vice president and manager of the closed Union States Savings and Commercial bank, who has been in hiding for two days, since the issuance of a warrant charging him with felony.

It is said Hays will give himself up today, as he has found bondsmen.

While the officers were searching yesterday, Hays telephoned his wife from his place of concealment and told her to visit certain men in an effort to get them to go on his bond. With the list Mrs. Hays passed the entire day attempting to get his friends as surety, without success.

Attorney Jordan, Hays' lawyer, stated today that he believed the new banking law regarding overdrafts on the part of bank officials was defective and that he would be able to free the accused banker from the charges.

BOYS PLAY WITH OLD SHOTGUN; ONE IS DEAD

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Macomb, Miss., Aug. 13.—While playing "war," Eddie Wright, 6 years old, shot and instantly killed his playmate, Willie Smith, 4 years old, in the backyard of the Wright home. The younger lad was pretending to be a frontiersman. The older played he was an Indian. As the 4-year-old lad trotted past him, the older boy raised a shotgun loaded with nails, pulled the trigger and the charge literally blew off the top of the child's head. The gun was of the old time "cap" model and had been thrown away as useless. The boy had placed a match on the "tube" to "make it pop," and when the hammer struck it the powder was ignited.

SWEDEN'S STRIKE NOT BROKEN

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Minneapolis, Aug. 14.—A cablegram received here today from Sweden, dated Friday and sent via Denmark and Holland, declares the strike is not broken, as reported and published. The cablegram states that the revolt is general throughout Sweden, and that hundreds of corpses are unburied because the strikers will allow no one to dig graves. From the same source it is reported that 5000 troops are under arrest for refusing to shoot strikers when ordered to do so by their superior officers.

TERRIBLE HEAT IN NEBRASKA

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Omaha, Aug. 14.—The thermometer here registered 99 degrees this afternoon. It is the hottest day in three years. Many prostrations but no fatalities have been reported.

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 14.—One person is dead and a dozen are prostrated here today by the heat. For the third successive day the mercury touched 98.

Log Crushes Foot.

William Harwood, an employe in one of the camps of the Northwest Door company at Oak Point, got his foot injured by a log yesterday afternoon, and was brought up here on the steamer Beaver for treatment. While skidding some logs, one of them swung around and struck his right foot, and inflicted a painful injury. He was immediately taken on board the Beaver and brought up here, to the Couch street dock, from which place he was taken to the Good Samaritan hospital, where he is being treated by Dr. E. A. Marshall.