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TRUTH AND LIBERTY

# Cincinnati's Greatest Fire

atled in Cellar of Pike Building - Explosion of Liquors Shot Flames Up Through Roof of Six-Story Stone Front Building Which Was Totally Destroyed-Other Structures Much Damaged-Many Narrow Escapes.

siled with the most destructive its history. About 1:30 this dames were discovered in the George Joffee's grocery in the ding on Fourth street, between and Walnut. An hour later there erplosion.supposed to come from in storage, and the flames soon story stone front building m that time on for several fire was beyond control. The ing was totally destroyed, inhe Adams Express company, restaurant, owned by Maynard George Joffee's grocery, John floor, the Pike and green rooms the second floor. on the third, ining the Pike lly damaged

th & Sons, and the Cincompany, on the first many offices on the were damaged.
we wall of the Pike Jones. ert Clark & Co. od buildings, with-

se of the American Book v along Baker street. s, as were those of the Gib-Emery and the Stag hotels, re in close proximity of the ankakee building, which is lessly went to the sixth floor for duty agross the street from the although the fire raged all around them. Kankakee building, which is lood building and Pike Opera and is occupied by the Western the Associated Press, the Big d other offices, was threatened, he wires of the Western Union rere in danger, but dislocabarred, although it had a nar-It was not until after daythe fire was got under conthe Pike building, there were reports that several lives had but none of these reports confirmed. There were many scapes. Nightwatchman John d Matt Garretson and Harry sca, doorkeeper, saved six lives ring the building and forcing

anati, Feb. 25.-This city was to- , clothes. Agin, Richardson and Garret son proceeded through the building, giving the alarm to all until they had to be helped out themselves. Genlen, head of a detective bureau, who was asleep on the third floor, was awakened and escaped in his night clothes. He lost all the records of his office. Nothing was saved from the up-per floors. Mayor Fleischman was present at the scene of the fire. As there are over 400 different losers, it is impossible at present to estimate

the total loss. The fire was still burning at 9 o'clock, with attle prospects of control in the territory bound by Vine, Walnut, Fourth and Baker streets, and the loss was then estimated at over three millions. John Keenan, nightwatchman of the American Book pany, was caught by falling wails and fatally injured.

The escape of Will Jones, the well known Cincinnati actor, just before the roof of the burning building fell, and his rescue, half dead from the top of the building, was a thrilling one. Jones' presence of mind, which led him to thus make his whereabouts known, saved his life. When the fire broke out Jones was asleep in the studio of an artist friend on the fourth floor. Awakening suddenly, he was blinded and suffocated by the smoke. Outside in the great air shaft the flames were shooting up. How he made his way he does not know, but by some instinct he found the stairway leading to the roof. Upon reaching the roof he fell over something and was stunned. When he recovered the flames were shooting through the roof. He crawled to the edge, but the firemen in the street did not notice him. He shouted himself hoarse. He took his cuff and wrote on

"I am on roof, nearly dead from gas He threw it to the ground and a reporter picked it up and located the figure of a man standing outlined in the sparks. Jones crept along the edge of the rear of the building, and there walted for the firemen, who placed a ladder across the alley from the 'phone exchange building. Jones was carried

lown and taken to the hospital. The eight girls in the telephone ex-change building, across the alley from the burning Pike building, were badly frightened, as the clouds of smoke rolled about teh building. The ex-change rooms are on the top floor of some time. All the root is a six-story building. For two hours they pluckily stuck to their posts. When the flames were blazing in their windows they were ordered out by the flames. men. Later, however, they returned to their calls, and when the large day force of girls came on duty they fear-

> The Pike theater building was totally destroyed by fire in 1866, and it narrowly escaped total destruction on March 30 1902, when there was a Sunday math. nee in progress, but no lives were lost in any of the fires.

The scenery and costumes used by the Pike Stock company during the season which closed last Saturday night, valued at \$10,000, were stored in the opera

The loss of the Henrietta Crossman company, which has been at the Pik this week, is over double that of the Stock company. The Season Good building, adjoining, a six-story structur was occupied by the Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern railroad on the first floor and by numerous other tenants, in cluding Richter & Philipps, wholesale through the smoke and resigners. The loss of Richter & Philipps is very large. Among the los r room of the Pike building ers are Artists John Ward Dunsm were rescued by having their | Rena de Camp, Elizabeth C. Eckstein and C. A. Murer, whose studios were a. All escaped in their night lost with many valuable pictures.

## CHEME NIPPED IN THE

fort to Drive Cattle Through Parley's Canyon in Violation Of Law, Cleverly Thwarted by Commissioner Joe MacKnight--Several Arrests.

ever scheme to drive a large band ated accordingly, with partial success, cattle through Parley's canyon in but before they succeeded in driving violation of the city ordinances. the entire band through they were disviolation of the city ordinances, th prohibit the driving of livestock has that canyon, and thereby pol-ling the waters of the creek which & MacDonald, stockmen, and Pendle used by the citizens of Salt Lake ary purposes, has been discovd by land and Water Commissioner acknight and his deputy, and the me partially defeated by the issue of warrants for the arrest of the ers. The scheme was not un- rants for their arrest. thed, however, until after the men ceeded in driving about 200 head tattle through the canyon.

view of the entrance to the can-The cattle have been fed there der cover of darkness have waters to a great extent. A communi iven through in small bunches. cation will be submitted to the counci en at the ranch could see when on Monday night by Mr. MacKnight water commissioner enter- recommending that the ranches be conand left the canyon and they oper-

ert Young of Heber, will have to appear before Judge Diehl and answer to the charge of driving cattle through Parley's canyon contrary to the city's ordinances. Mr. MacKnight swore to the complaints against the men morning, and Judge Diehl issued war-In the matter of the pollution of the waters of Parley's creek, Mr. Mac-Knight has reached the conclusion that the mouth of the canyon is a ranch is so such of the canyon is a ranch condemn the ranch of William Roach this so situated as to command a and others in the canyon before the waters can be kept in the purest sanitary condition, as the stock and corrals

the banks of the stream pollute the

covered in the act and, as a consequence, George Raddon, of the firm of

ton and Margent, herders for for Rob-

Williams, butchers, Pace

APTAIN SACRIFICES HIS LIFE AT A FIRE.

New York, Peb. 26.—Several firemen burt, one perhaps ratally, at a in an eight-story building at Broadand Thirteenth street, early today. perty loss is estimated at \$250,. y, while at work at the fire, fell an open shaft, striking on his not at any time in danger.

The occupants of the bu

en firemen were at work on the fell. Battallon Chief Gooderas kaocked unconscious by a piece Neckwear Co.

Le, and Fremen Daniel Foley's The cause of ag was broken, and he was sent ascertained.

to a hospital, while Gooderson was ordered home by Chief Purroy. Fireman Jos. Kinsch and Thomas Nix fell from a ladder and broke their legs and a ce of cornice crushed Fireman Jos. Kimmet's foot,

Sparks from the burning building were blown toward the MortonHouse at Broadway and Fourteenth street, and the 200 guests of that hotel, who had been aroused by the fire engine, all went down to the street for safety. It was found, however, that the hotel was

The occupants of the building were Rackett, Carhart & Co., men's fur-nishers; the Crown Suspender Co., the Nonatuk Silk Co., the Brainard & Armstrong Silk Co., and the Altma

The cause of the fire has not been

## STATUS OF THE MORTENSEN CASE

Matter Has Not Yet Been Carried To the Supreme Court,

ATTORNEYS PROCRASTINATE

Time in Which to File Notice of Appeal Expires Tomorrow-What Will be Done Then ?

The exact status of the case of the State of Utah vs Peter Mortensen, conleted of the murder of James R. Hay, and now under sentence of death and confined in the state prison pending ar appeal to the supreme court, is probably known to a very few persons. Many are probably of the opinion that the case is before the supreme court or consideration at this time, but such a not the case. To the contrary, the ttorneys for Mortensen have been i o great hurry to have the case passed upon by the supreme court and have not as yet filed the transcript of the proceedings with the clerk of the higher

On June 14 last the defendant wa on June 14 last the defendant was found guilty of murder in the first degree, and, on Aug. 27, Judge Morse overruled the motion for a new trial and passed judgment of death on him. A writ of probable cause was signed by the court which acted as a stay of execution, until an appeal could be percution until an appeal could be per fected. From the date of passing judg ment, namely Aug. 27, the defendan had six months within which to file : notice of appeal. That time will expir tomorrow. The attorneys for Morten sen came within six days of waiting the limit of time in which to file such notice, as the same was just filed with the clerk of the district court on last Saturday afternoon.

The transcript of the proceedings as the trial of the case, including all the evidence introduced, has just been completed and will probably be filed with the clerk of the supreme court today or tomorrow. It contains 1,424 type-written pages and is all bound in one volume. Now that the transcript is i readiness to be filed, the case will un doubtedly be ready for hearing at the May term of the supreme court, and the result of that court's deliberations on the case will be watched for with much eagerness by the public in genera which has followed the case so closely since its inception

#### THE ARIZONA STRIP.

Senator Kearns May Offer Amendment to Statehood Bill for Its Cession.

This in Case of a Vote on It-Arizona Legislature Protests Against

(Special to the "News.")

Washington, D. C., Feb. 26.-Senator Kearns said today that if the state hood bill should come to a vote this session he intended to offer an amendment to the bill to cede that portion of Arizona lying north and west of the river to the State of Utah. Senator Kearns appeared before the senate committee on territories and will mak in argument on the annexation of that portion of the territory.

The speaker of the house laid before

that body the memorial from the leg islative assembly of Arizona protesting against the annexation of any portion of said territory to the State of Utah. CONDITION OF IDAHO BANKS

The abstract of the condition of th national banks of Idaho at the close of business on Feb. 6, as reported to the comptroller of the currency shows verage reserve held 17.19 per centage gainst 16.74 per cent on Nov. 25; loans and discounts, increase \$378,141; gold ccin, decrease \$160,500; lawful money reserve, increase \$16,425; individual desits, decrease from \$5,940,050 to \$5,-

#### INSURED FOR \$2,000. Bell Carried That Amount With the Home Fire - As to Alarm.

There was much speculation yesterday as to whether there was any insurance on the Bell residence that was himself hardly knew. He was not sure that the policy was in force. But it appears that there is some good luck on his side for the reason that he has a policy for \$2,000 with the Home Fire.
In regard to the statements printed yesterday, about the difficulty experienced by Mr. Bell in telephoning for the fire department, General Manager Murray of the company says that Mr Bell was unable to reach his 'phone at all, as it was under the stairway and the flames made it impossible for one to reach the instrument, Mr. Murray also states that at 5:45 a. m., the

operator received a call from 'phone 1276k, Mrs. McKenna's, next door to the fire, stating that the house next door was burning. The operator at once called on the fire department, the waterworks department, the reservoir, and Mr. Mayo of the telephone pany. In a few minutes later there came a call from 'phone 922, Christen sen's meat market, about the fire, and the operator stated that an alarm had already been turned in. Several min-utes after that, Mrs. McKenna 'phoned again, and was told that the fire de-partment was on the way, at the same time ringing up the department again. The watchman at department headquarters replied that the apparatus ought to be about down there by that time. Both Mrs. McKenna and Mr. Christensen told the telephone company that their calls were immediately Several other subscribers, who are neighbors, 'phoned in, and their calls promptly answered. Consequent ly, Mr. Murray fails to see how his company is at all to blame in the mat-

## ter as the service given was prompt

morrow afternoon at 1 o'clock,

# Smoot Charged With Polygamy

By Rev. J. L. Leilich as Representative of Ministers' Association-Protest Presented to Senate by Chairman Burrows-Alleged Plural Wife Not Named.

Washington, Feb. 26,-Senator Burrows, chairman of the senate committee on privileges and elections, today presented to the senate a protest signed by the Rev. J. L. Leilich in the case of Senator-elect Reed Smoot of Utah, urging that Mr. Smoot shall not be permitted to take his scat in the senate, Mr. Leilich is in charge of Methodist missions in Utah and resides in Salt Lake City. He is In Washington as the representative of the Ministers' association of Salt Lake. His statement is sworn to.

WITHHOLDS NAME OF WOMAN IN THE CASE.

Mr. Leflich declares that Smoot is a a polygamist and now has a piural wife, although he deems it inexpedient to give the maiden name of the lady at this time. His charge on this point is as follows:

"That the said Reed Smoot is a polygamist and that since the admission of Utah into the Union of states, he, although then and there having a legal wife, married a plural wife-in the state of Utah, in violation of the laws and compacts hereinbefore described and since such plural or polygamous marriage the said Reed Smoot has lived and cohabited with both his legal wife and his plural wife in the state of Utah and elsewhere, as occasion offered, and nized, or the maiden name of the plural wife.'

OTHER CHARGES ARE MADE BY LEILICH.

Mr. Leilich also asserts that "President Joseph F. Smith, the President of the Mormon Church, is living in open polygamy and has had a child born to him by his plural wife as late as 1898." And also that "President Lorenzo Snow lived and died in the practice of polygamy and polygamous cohabitation, and that his plural wife, Minnie Jensen Snow, bore him a child as late as the winter of 1896-97."

#### President Smith Makes Unqualified Denial; Smoot Is Not And Never Was a Polygamist.

President Joseph F. Smith, when interviewed by the Deseret News concerning the foregoing Associated Press dispatch, said:

"You may state in the most emphatic terms possible that there is not one word of truth in the assertion that Reed Smoot is or h or that he has married a plural wife either since or before Utah became a state of the Union. Mr. Smoot has never had but one wife at any time. As to the record which I understand from the dispatch we are desired to produce there is no such record. No plural or polygamous marriages have been solemnized by sanction of the Church for many years, and therefore there is not and cannot be a record kept concerning them. The whole story about Reed Smoot is a sheer fabrication, evidently designed to hinder his taking the seat in the United States Senate to which he was elected by the Legislature of Utah. It is untrue in every particular. Every marriage ceremony performed by the Church is such as the law provides for and the license issued by the county clerk has to be produced in every instance before the ceremony can take

#### Great Astonishment at Leilich's Libelous Charge; Who His "Straw Woman" Is.

There was great astonishment expressed on every hand today at Leilich's Etelous charge. It is safe to say that not one man in a hundred will believe it; not from the reason alone that he is widely known for his extreme views and wild statements upon other subjects, but because the men who know Reed Smoot have his word of honor that he is a monogamist. When he told his friends long ago that he was not a polygamist they believed him. It made no difference whether they were "Mormons" or non-"Mormons" they knew he told the truth. On that assurance he was elected a United States senator and on that showing the same staunch supporters are convinced that he will be seated when the full facts in the case are known.

It would appear that there was not only method in the madness of Leilich but there is madness in his method. That the charge will now fall to the ground there can be little doubt. Desperate indeed must be the case of Leilich and associates when they so strongly affirm a palpable and malicious slander. In this connection it may be well to inform the people of Utah who this man Leilich is. He came here to succeed the Rev. Dr. Iliff as superintendent of Methodist missions in this state. He was a total stranger when he arrived but inside of 24 hours he had outlined and an-Lounced a "plan for the regeneration of Utah and the 'Mormons.'". In a remarkably short period of time he had not only equaled but in some respects had outdistanced his rantankerous predecessor. Therefore, his selection by the Salt Lake Ministers' association was but a natural sequ Every member of the organization at once concluded that "no one can fight Smoot like Brother Leilieh," so "Brother" Leilieh went to Washington to join forces with "Blocks-Of-Five Dudley," the notorious; and today's protest is the result.

Just who the woman in the case is, will probably not be known until there are further disclosures in the affair at Washington, but at home, in Salt Lake, members of the Ministerial affance declare that she is a Miss Jones, daughter of ex-Mayor Jones, of Provo, and that she is now in Mexico. Some day they will find out how much mistaken they are in their conclusions, if indeed, they do not already know.

On account of the absence from the city of Mr. Leilich a representative of the "News" today called at the residence of Rev. D. A. Brown, of the First Baptist church. Mr. Brown is the secretary of the Minister' association and it was thought he might be able to throw some light on this new phase of the fight against Mr. Smoot. But Mr. Brown was not at home and Mrs. Brown stated that the charge was a new one to her that she had never heard of it before and could say nothing beyond the fact that it, was a great surprise to her. Other ministers profess complete ignorance or today's developments.

#### LOSS ON ATLAS BLOCK.

Insurance Men Settle With Walker Estate for \$67,500.

The insurance adjusters settled this morning with the S. S. Walker estate for the loss on the Atlas block, in the amount of \$67,500, the full face of the policies. The actual loss, however, is placed at \$126,000, so that the net loss is \$59,000. The adjusters also settled for the loss on the D. F. Walker block for \$3,918.33. The dajustment would have been for \$1,289.08 more, but this is a case of what is called co-insurance and in the policy was the following clause

"It is part of the consideration of this CHARGED WITH INSANITY.

Dr. A. K. Smith today swore to a complaint against Eugene H. Dunning, a discharged soldler, residing on Second South street, between Sixth and Seventh East, charging him with insanity. The examination will be held tomorrow afternoon at 1 o'clock. shoulder part of the loss himself. It is I found insecure.

stated that the actual insurance on the building is \$51,000, whereas according to the 80 per cent rule it should be

It is expected that the loss on the Central block will be settled this after-noon, though some of the insurance men thought this noon that it would b omorrow sometime before the matt was adjusted. Cashler Wilson of the Commerce remarked morning, that he had advised the ow ers of the burned properties of the vantage to be gained in a number ways in rebuilding, by rebuilding one solid block of 150 feet front, five six stories high, making a single, u form, fine looking front. This would involve building over the alley way tween the two burned structures, bu without interfering with it. Other ad vantages would be the entire avoidance f two heavy brick walls, and the gain of four or five stories of office rooms 12 or 16 feet wide. The matter is under consideration. The Bank of Commerce finds that its vault doors have been preserved so that they are practically good as new. The plate glass on the inside of the big door was not even cracked. The front wall of the Atlas block has been torn down and other walls will be taken down as they are found insecure.

## THREE MINERS WERE KILLED

Outcome of Fight Between U.S. Marshals and Strikers.

OFFICERS WERE RESISTED.

Returned With Increased Force-Rioters Ordered to Surrender.

Charleston, W. Va., Feb. 25 .-At Stanniford City, in Raleigh county, at dawn this morning, a battle took place between the joint posses of Deputy United States Marshal Cunningham and Sheriff Cook on one side and rioting miners on the other, as a result of which three miners were killed, two others mortally wounded and a numper of others on both sides more or less scriously hurt.

THE DEAD

Dick Taylor. Unknown miner.

MORTALLY WOUNDED.

John Heizer. The trouble grew out of an attempt

lanket injunction issued by Federal On last Saturday Deputy United States Marshal Cunningham went to Atkinsville, a mining town in Raieigh county, to arrest men charged with iolating the injunction. He was surrounded by a large party of miners armed with Winchesters, who ordered him to leave the place, an order which he quickly obeyed. Sheriff Cook at the same time attempted to make some arrests under a process issued by the state court, and was treated in a like nanner. Cunningham returned to this he district attorney that he could do nothing without a large force, and nen only at imminent risk of precipi-

ating a bloody conflict. He was instructed to return with

nen sufficient to serve the process given him, and to do it at all hazards. Before Cunningham returned to At-kinsville, however, Marshal John K. Thompson and S. C. Burdette, attorney or the United Mine Workers, went the scene, spending most of Sunday and Monday there. They found everything quiet, the rioters having withdrawn from the immediate neighborhood and crossed the river, going into camp, 600 strong, near the Big Q. mine on the north side. Thompson and Burdette came home Tuesday morning, and Cunningham and a strong posse went from here to make arrests. When Atvere joined by Sheriff Cook and his cosse, the coal companies near by urnishing some guards, and the depuy and sheriff found themselves in nand of about 100 well armed and letermined men. The rioters had rerossed the river on Tuesday and were parading up and down before the varius coal works. They numbered from 150 to 200 men and many of them were armed with Winchester rifles. They intimidated miners at work,

drove away the guards of the mines and even went so far as to disarm one guard and force him to march at the head of their procession. Emboldended by their success, they attempted to burn down a bridge on the Chesapeake & Ohio railroad over Piney gulch, and threatened destruction of ther property. Last night they went nto camp near Stanniford City.

This morning about daybreak the officers and their combined posses surprised the rioters in their camp and called on them to surrender. The re-ply was a shot. This was answered by shot, and immediately a furious bat. le was raging.

When it ceased three of the rioters lay dead and many others were found be wounded, two of them fatally Seventy-three arrests were made, falling to the share of Deputy Cun-ningham and 63 to that of Sheriff Cook, All the prisoners were taken to the county seat of Raleigh, where the 10 United States prisoners were given a preliminary hearing by Commissioner Dunn and held for appearance at court here. They will be rought here on an early morning train The federal authorities will try to get the state to give up the 63 so that they may be tried in the federal ourt, but it is doubtful whether it will be done, as the state court meets on can be tried more expeditiously there. S. C. Burdette, attorney for the nited Mine Workers of America, went Breckley this afternoon to appear for

The injunction which the miners were charged with violating was the blan-cet writ issued by Judge Keller at the Instance of the Chesapeake & Ohio Agency company last August. The deompanies operating in the New River field, 150 members of the Mine Worker of America, by name, including President Mitchell and Secy. Wilson, and all other persons whatsoever who aided and abetted them. The injunc tion covered almost every foot of ground in the coal mining region of New River. While all of the mines in have been at work for some months, clared off, and its embers have been smouldering in the New River gorge, threatening to break into flames in the

The locality in which today's tragedy ccurred is one in which the mines re ently have been opened and the small nen that have ever come into the state Advices from the scene of the conflict tonight are to the effect that all s quiet now, but fears are entertained that trouble will break out afresh at

#### Collier Alexander Towed to Bemruda

New York, Feb .26,-Marine advices received here from Bermuda say that the collier Alexander was towed in here today by the Dutch steamer

Corrigan Out of the Suburban. New York, Feb. 26.-Corrigan has seen declared out of the suburban han-

Mrs. C. C. Fairbanks Re-elected. Washington, Feb. 26.—Mrs. Cornelia Cole Fairbanks of Indianapolis was unanimously re-elected president-gen-eral of the D. A. R. today.

## Knapp Admits Five Murders

Makes Confession to Mayor-His Victims Were: Emma Littleman, May Eckert, Jennie Conners Knapp, Ida Gebhard and Anna Knapp-He Gives Dales, Places and Method of Murdezing and Disposing of Bodies.

the Indianapolis man arrested yesterday, who confessed to the murder of his third wife, today made a full confession of five murders. Among them is that of Ida Gebhart, the West Indianapolis girl, who was found murdered in a stable July 3, 1895.

Knapp's confession, which was sworn to before Mayor Bosch, is as follows: "On Jan, 21, 1894, I killed Emma Littleman, in a lumber yard in Gest street, Cincinnati. On Aug. 1, 1894, I killed May Eckert, in Walnut street, opposite the Y. M. C. A., in Cincinnati. On Aug. 7, 1894, I killed my wife, Jennie Conners Knapp, under the canal bridge in Liberty street, Cincinnati and threw her into the canal. In Indianapolis in July, 1895, I killed Ida Gebbert, On Dec. 22, 1902, I killed my wife, Anna Knapp, at 339 South Fourth efreet, in Hamilton, and threw her into the river out by Lindenwald. This is

"I make this statement by my own free will and not by the request of any officer or any one else.

(Signed) "ALBERT KNAPP." "Sworn to before me, this 26th day of Feb., 1903.," "C. E. BOSCH, (Signed) "Mayor." After his confession Albert W. Knapp

Hamilton, O., Feb. 26,-Alfred Knapp, | saulted women and killed some of them. He said he met the Littleman child in the lumber yard and choked her to death when she made an outery.

"I went into a room with the Eckert girl," he said, "and she cried. I stranged her with a towel and hurried from the house. "I was mad at my wife, Jennie Con-

ners Knapp, when I killed her. We were walking along Liberty street. I sat her down under the bridge and choked her to death. I deny that I poisoned her. I never told any one I did. After she was dead I threw the body into the canal,

"Ida Gebhart I killed out my memory is not clear as to what I did. I cannot tell you what made me kill these people. I could not help it. Simply a desire to kill. I am sorry for my crimes, but now I hope they will be easy with me.'

After the confessions a formal charge f murder in the first degree was filed. Atty. C. L. Tenney, of Cincinnati, was allowed to see Knapp and told him o make no further statement. Knapp as surprised that his people had semuch of the Pearl Bryan murder and is afraid of being lynched. Despite assurances of no danger of lynching he is frightened and does not want to be admited that he had repeatedly as- taken from the county jail,

## POWERS OF COMMISSIONERS

It was 10:15 this morning when the rouse convened. Representatives Richards, Barrett, Chipman, Merrill, Done, Redd and Morris were conspicuous by their absence, having gone to Cedar City, where they will be until Monday Gov. Wells sent in a communicatio saying he had signed H. B. 28, by Nash elating to the burial of soldiers, sai ors and marines.

Communications from the senate were read stating that the following bills had been passed: S. B. SS, by Lawrence, relating to appeals from just tices courts; S. B. 113, by McKay, in regard to the classification of counties S. B. 118, by Bennion, relating to no taries; H. B. 29, by Nash, exempting soldiers from politax; S. B. 67, by Law rence, to increase the number of judges: H. B. 71, as substitute for 33, by Hall, relating to marks and brands H. B. 34, by Childs, fixing the salaries of deputy county officials; H. B. 57, b. McKinnon, relating to trespassing ani mals.

On motion of Representative White the report of the special committee on the death of Representative Brink's daughter was read,

Petitions by request were read ask ing for appropriations for roads by Representatives McFarland for \$1.000 J. E. Johnson, \$3,800; McKinnon, \$3,500 Redd, \$2,000; Spry, \$2,000; Fishburn, \$1. 500; Colton, \$3,000; Hall, \$2,500; Ander \$2,500, all of which were referre the committees on highways at ridges. There was also a protest from citizens of Ogden against Representa-tive Done's bill No. 69, regarding the unification of district schools.

POWERS OF COMMISSIONERS.

The rules were suspended and hous oll 75, a substitute for senate bill 64 relating to the powers of county commissioners in regard to indigent poo taken up. Representative White mo out. This brought Mr. Colton to his feet and he waxed eloquent in its de-fense. Representative White called at-tention to one feature in the bill which as enough to condemn it, namely to increase of franchises from ears to 100 years. He scored Mr. Con roundly and quoted Mr. Vande ilt's famous expression: "The public damned." Dr. Condon and M. "The publ tone were opposed to striking out the macting clause. Much acrimony was ecasioned by the debate and Mr. Cold denied that there was a job behind The motion to strike out the enact-

mendment making the time limit to Representative Roberts moved an amendment that it be made 25 years, Dr. Cordon characterized the 100 year limit as ridiculous, Representativ Wilson, who has heretofore been afte the railroads hot and heavy, defended year limit and made an argument l its favor. Representative Fishburi said it was touching to see the change of heart in the gentleman from Wa atch (Mr. Wilson) and he couldn' account for it. The amendmenting 25 years the limit was carried.

until 2 o'clock, Victim Kills His Assailant.

At 12:15 the house took a recess

Chicago, Feb. 26 .- After torturing a man he had already wounded three times, Henry Carr, 32 years old, was shot and killed last night by James Fletcher, 19 years old, his victim. The struggle, which preceded the

## COUNCIL ACTS ON RESIGNATION

The city council last night took final action on the resignation of Chief of Police Paul by adopting the report of the police and prison committee recommending that the resignation be acceptd. A number of the councilmen expected a communication from the mayor naming a new chief of police but

SQUATTERS AT WORK.

Land and Water Commissioner J. F. Macknight reported to the council that 320 acres of the city's land in the Emigration canyon watershed, which cost the city \$4,500, had been squatted upon by W. K. Perkins and William Sederlof, who have secured patents for the same from the state. The commissioner was at a loss to know what action to take in the matter so asked the council to take it in hand and make an investigation. The matter was referred to the public grounds committee with the city attorney and land and water commissioner associated.

WANT A NEW LICENSE.

Enquist and Fahlquist, the Commerial street saloon-keepers whose liquor cense was revoked by the council about two weeks ago for circulating obscene literature, filed a new petition for a license. They stated that the revocation of their license was sufficient punishment and that they have lost a considerable sum of money by reason of the same, and ask that their application for a license be granted as they will not offend in any such manner again. The petition was referred to the ommittee on license. The committee ecided that the petition should be de-

AMOS MORETON REMOVED.

nled for the present.

Chief Devine sent in a communication notifying the council of the removal of Amos Moreton from the department for "gross and continuous violations of the rules of the department." The matter was referred to the committee on fire department, which committee later in the evening ordered Moreton to appear before the council on Monday night and show cause why he should not be dismissed from service. MISCELLANEOUS.

The council unanimously passed the

ordinance, introduced by Thomas, pro-viding for the refunding to the abutting property owners any amount collected in excess of the actual cost of any publie improvements made by the city.
Granville Gillett filed a protest against placing telephone poles on the sidewalk in front of his residence at the corner of Fourth South and Fourth East streets. The matter was referred to the committee on streets. The council approved the contract

with the Colorado company for the con-struction of the conduit in the Jordan and Salt Lake canni on South Temple running from State to Third East street. The amount of the company's bid is \$8.593,20.

BOUNTY ON BEET SUGAR. Two Reports Submitted to the Idaho-Legislature.

(Special to the "News.")

Bojse, Ida., Feb. 26.-Late yesterday afternoon the senate committee on agriculture and livestock submitted majority and minority reopris on house bill No. 117, by Speaker Hunt, providing for a bounty on beet sugar made from Idaho beets of one cent per pound during 1963, and one-half cent in 1904. The The struggle, which preceded the killing, took place in the kitchen of Carr's home, the only witness being a 12-year-old boy, the bronner of Carr's wife.

Car was intent on murder because he believed Fletcher had broken up his home. In his pocket was found a letter from Mrs. Carr, who begged forgiveness, and expressed her intention of committing suicide. Fletcher, it is believed, will recover. on up to the noon recess today.