

THREE MEN MISSING;  
THOUGHT TO BE DEAD

Special Carrying Twin City Elks Crashes Into Eastbound Freight Near Cisco—Engineer, Fireman and Baggage-man Under Wreckage.

## WRECK VICTIMS MISSING.

Heidemann, engineer, Elks' special.  
Heinze, fireman, Elks' special.  
Vaughan, baggage-man, Elks' special.

(Special Correspondence.)

Cisco, Utah, July 10.—A head-on collision occurred just west of this place on the Denver & Rio Grande this morning about 4 o'clock, between a west-bound passenger train and an east-bound freight loaded with stock. Engineer Heidemann, fireman Heinze and baggage-man Vaughan of the passenger train are missing, and it is thought they are buried under the wreckage. A large wrecking crew accompanied one of the trains, and the work of clearing away the wreckage was begun at once.

## SPECIAL CARRIED ELKS.

The special passenger was hurrying westward with the coaches crowded with the Twin City Elks, en route to the convention of Elks at Los Angeles. On reaching a point 114 miles east of Helper, and between this place and Whitehouse, the train suddenly crashed into the freight which was approaching from the other direction. A terrible scene followed. The engines after the impact reared in the air and fell in a crushed heap, with the engineer and fireman of the passenger engine and the baggage-man buried underneath. The head brakeman to the freight train was thrown among the debris and badly injured, while the engineer of the freight train was slightly injured. The fireman saved himself by jumping. There is little hope held

out that the three men buried under the wreckage are still living, but strenuous efforts are being made to reach them, and to save them if they are still alive.

## DOCTOR AMONG PASSENGERS.

Five double-deck stock cars containing sheep were badly wrecked, and both engines and the baggage car of the passenger train are wrecked. A doctor who was among the passengers hurried to the assistance of the injured men, and dispatches were sent to Green River and Thompson's station for additional medical assistance. Two physicians from Thompson's and one from Green River were soon on the scene. Two relief trains were immediately started for the scene from Helper and Grand Junction, bearing supplies and everything needed for the relief of the victims of the wreck. A large wrecking crew accompanied one of the trains, and the work of clearing away the wreckage was begun at once.

## OFFICIALS ON THE SCENE.

General Supt. J. C. Dailey, who was at Helper when the accident occurred, boarded a special for the scene, and Supt. Ogg of the Green River division is also present. They are directing the work of removing the debris from the bodies of the three men under the engines. A "shoo-fly" will be constructed around the wreck, and it is thought trains will be moving regularly by 5 o'clock this evening.

The exact cause of the accident has not as yet been determined, but appears to have been a misunderstanding of the crews as to their orders and flagging signals. Conductor Dodson was in charge of the special west-bound passenger, and Conductor Billing had charge of the eastbound stock train.

WHY SENATOR SMOOT WAS  
NOT ON COMMITTEE

(Special to the "News.")

Washington, July 10.—In view of the widely printed press dispatches to the effect that Senator Smoot would be one of the members of the conference committee on the tariff, there is some disappointment among western interests in the list. It was fully intended that Senator Smoot should be one of the members, as he was so thoroughly posted on the merits of all the points in conflict, but at the last moment it was found his appointment would violate the old rule of seniority, and out of courtesy to older senators, the change was made.

Senator Smoot, however, will be in constant touch with the committee during the progress of the conference. Senator Southernland, and senators from other western states whose interests are affected by the bill may also be relied on to keep close watch on such schedules as lead, wool, hides, and coal, which will be the subjects in lively dispute. There does not seem to be much concern in regard to beet sugar, as it is expected that both the senate and house members will agree on the program including the limitation of the Philippine production along the lines known to be advocated by President Taft.

## ALL READY BUT THE CREAM.

The refreshments committee of the veterans' citizens' committee of the G. A. R. encampment has received the cheering intelligence from Logan that the Cache valley metropolis will furnish all the butter needed upon the occasion of the great parade, when refreshments will be served to the veterans en route. Park City has agreed to furnish sugar. Provo will send the coffee. Ogden has promised the bread, and Salt Lake City will be asked to donate the ham for sandwiches. A last request will be made to the creameries to supply the cream for the coffee, when the refreshment committee will feel that the luncheon will be complete.

## MANY VISITORS AT BUREAU.

Owing to the flood of visitors in connection with the Elks tourists, the First Presidency and the bureau of information is making special efforts to extend courtesies. The tabernacle was kept open until 10 o'clock last night, to accommodate the belated travelers, who were not able to reach Salt Lake until evening, and there was a special organ recital at 8 o'clock at which E. P. Kimball officiated, for the benefit of the Iowa Elks. There was another special organ recital at 10 a. m. today, at which Prof. McCallan officiated.

## ALFRED BEST ARRIVES.

Comes to Accompany the Tabernacle Choir to the Fair.

Alfred Best, the well known tenor, accompanied by his wife and child, arrived last night from Berlin, Germany, which they left just two weeks ago. As the "News" has already announced, Mr. Best comes home for a double purpose, first, to take a rest and visit his relatives here; second, to go on a tour of the northwest with the Tabernacle choir, when it visits the Seattle exposition next month.

Mr. Best feels very well satisfied with his progress in Berlin, and is especially pleased with a future prospect, as he has just signed a contract with one of the leading agents of Berlin, Mr. Salter, manager of Charles Dalmores, by which he will go out under the Salt Lake management for the season of 1910. He is guaranteed a certain number of

GUARDSMEN WILL  
CAMP NEAR CITY

Crismon Farm Secured for Annual Encampment of State Troops.

## BATTERY TO MAKE LONG HIKE

To Spend Eight Days On Practice March—Wireless to Be Used At Camp.

The national guard will camp this year on the old Crismon farm, just east of the county road and between Thirtieth and Fourteenth South streets, about one-quarter mile southeast of Sugar postoffice. While this has not been formally announced in general orders, General Wedgwood authorized the statement last night. The camp site comprises about 80 acres adjacent to a good road with adequate water supply. The water for stock will be taken from an irrigation ditch running along the east side of the tract and the water for culinary and drinking purposes for the men will be taken from the city mains and hauled to the camp, thus taking the utmost precaution against the use of contaminated water for the men and reducing to a minimum the chance for sickness from this cause. General Wedgwood feels quite jubilant over securing the land, which was obtained through the courtesy of Taylor Bros., who control the property.

The site is entirely suitable for its use. It is high, dry and with a good slope to the southwest and west. From the standpoint of sanitation, there will be few problems. The medical department will be in charge of the camp, and the ground available within the camp site is ample for company and battalion drills and for regimental formations, while to the eastward is a great stretch of country of diverse contour for drills in battle formation and for maneuvers.

## SHORT PERIOD OF CAMP.

The members from the Salt Lake and Ogden organizations will probably be taken to within one-quarter of a mile of the camp by street car, while the men from the southern battalions will reach the camp over the Park City branch of the Rio Grande if suitable arrangements can be made. Transporting the troops in this manner by the fact that it is desired to have the camp completely pitched as soon as possible the first day of the period to save time, only eight days being available for the camp this year, August 8 to 16, and of these two will be occupied with the trip to and the trip from camp and one other in the parade of the Grand Army, in which the National Guard will act with the Fifteenth Infantry from Fort Douglas in forming the escort to the veterans. This leaves practically only five days for the camp proper, which every minute will be devoted to field instruction, which cannot be had in the army.

It has not been definitely settled, but it is regarded as altogether likely that one battalion of the Fifteenth Infantry will be detailed to camp with the guardsmen to show the state troops all the little niceties of the military life. The presence of regular troops at state encampments in the past has proved most valuable and Gen. Wedgwood is hopeful that the detail will be made.

## TO MAKE PRACTICE HIKE.

The first battery will not go to camp at the same time as the other commands. It will leave the city four days prior to the encampment for a practice march and target practice. The route has not been selected definitely, but it is thought that the battery will march through the Provo canyon to Heber and down to the other canyons to the camp, reaching the rendezvous three or four days before the other commands. The men have voluntarily given the four additional days for this march and will receive no pay for them, but notwithstanding this they are enthusiastic over the affair and are preparing for it with much zeal.

## SIGNAL CORPS MEN HAPPY.

With the arrival of a shipment of much new equipment, the members of the signal corps are looking forward to the coming encampment with much interest. The shipment included improved buzzers for the construction of rapid telegraph and telephone lines in the field, the lines being laid at the gallop and at the same time maintaining uninterrupted communication. Supplies for night signaling with acetylene lanterns were also received and much equipment for construction and repair of telephone and telegraph lines, including wire of various types, lighting apparatus, field telephones, signaling relays, reserve cells, tools, cipher disks and many other appliances.

The chief interest centers through in the wireless equipment, the invoices for which have just been received, and the shipment is expected to arrive Monday or Tuesday. With the receipt of this equipment, the Utah signal corps will have the most complete equipment for militia in the United States, and excelling some of the companies of the regular signal corps. It is likely that one station will be set up at Fort Douglas and another at the other end of the camp. It is also likely that one set will be placed in Ogden and the other in the camp, giving a play of the extreme range of the sets on land, about 40 miles. It is regarded as quite likely that the sets will not work over the city, due to the interference offered by the static electricity with which the air above the city is charged due to the presence of so many high tension wires being in the radius. The experiment, however, will prove of value whether or not signals are successfully transmitted over the city. In the event of failure to receive the signals, the set will then be taken toward Garfield, in the effort to circle the city with at least a portion of the transmitting waves, which, contrary to a popular belief, do not travel in a straight line, but in concentric circular or spherical directions, resembling the effect produced by dropping a pebble into a still pond.

The two days preceding the encampment are to be devoted to the state rifle meet on the range at Fort Douglas, which will be conducted according to the rules adopted for the national meet at Camp Perry, Ohio. A state team of 18 men will be selected from the best shots appearing in this competition.

## FRONTIER, WYO., POSTMASTER.

(Special Correspondence.)  
Washington, D. C., July 10.—Robert S. Lewis has been appointed postmaster at Frontier, Wyoming, where he is vice W. S. Avery, resigned.

EXALTED RULER  
HOLLAND ARRIVES

Belated Train of Head of the Elks Arrived in Los Angeles This Morning.

## TEN THOUSAND REGISTERED.

Political Pot Inside Grand Lodge Has Begun to Boil and Candidates Are Working Hard.

Los Angeles, July 10.—Grand Exalted Ruler Rush L. Holland of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks reached this city on his belated special train at 9 o'clock today.

The White Squadron of the Los Angeles lodge and many of the notables of the order gathered here to attend the grand lodge met Holland at the depot and he was placed in a large touring car, smothered in purple and white, and escorted to the music of a band to the Alexandria hotel where his headquarters will be maintained throughout the meeting.

During the morning hours many other Elks' special trains which had been delayed enroute or had stopped at the Grand canyon in Arizona arrived in the city. The special trains coming in this morning were from Missouri, Ohio, Nebraska, the cotton states, Arkansas, the Carolinas, Washington state, Oregon, Northern California and Arizona.

During the morning the number of registrations at headquarters passed the 10,000 mark. All the guests were met in turn by delegations from the local lodge in uniform and escorted to their various hotels. By noon, the gorgeously decorated downtown streets of the city were alive with the wearers of the antlers and the purples and around the official headquarters was a seething mass of them.

The political pot inside the grand lodge reached the boiling stage today and the headquarters ordered by J. U. Sammis and August Herrmann were jammed throughout the day with adherents of each of these prominent candidates for office of grand exalted ruler.

Tomorrow the first events of the official program will take place, one thousand automobiles having been placed at the disposal of the visitors from 9 o'clock in the morning until 9 o'clock at night, for sight-seeing trips about the city.

REFRESHMENTS TO BE  
FURNISHED VETERANS

Coffee and Sandwiches to Be Served From Booths Along Line of March.

Coffee and sandwiches will be served by young ladies of the refreshment committee, to the veterans of the G. A. R. who participate in the great parade, during the forty-third encampment. The parade will include a tramp of two miles down main street and back, and as some of the veterans are 70 years old and over, it is thought the stimulus of the food and drink will materially assist them in making the trying march. Booths for the dispensing of the refreshments will be placed along the line of march on State street and South Temple. There will be 42 booths, with young ladies in attendance, so that every veteran in the parade will receive prompt attention and will be served immediately before the procession starts.

The matter of providing the refreshments for this purpose has been a problem with the committee. Contributions of bread, coffee, sugar, etc., have been requested by the committee, and much has been donated by the merchants and people of Salt Lake for the purpose. Ogden has agreed to provide 1,000 loaves of bread and a dispatch from Provo states that Provo will contribute a quantity of coffee.

A meeting of the refreshment committee was held at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when further arrangements were discussed for entertaining the veterans. W. M. Bostaph of Ogden, who is a candidate for the position of national commander in chief, presided at the G. A. R. was in Salt Lake a few hours yesterday. He attended some of the committee meetings before returning to Ogden.

DOSEN AT LARGE;  
RIVALS LEON LING

Arrested Simultaneously in Many Places, But Proves to be Wrong Man.

Although the county, and particularly the Austrian settlements, have been secured by the deputies of the sheriff's office, and numerous clues run down, Dana Dosen, who shot and almost fatally wounded Tony Sterevich, a fellow-Austrian, at Garfield, Thursday night, is still at large. Dosen is becoming a fair imitator of Leon Ling, in his ability to be in a number of places at the same time. He has been arrested at Bingham, Garfield, Murray and two or three other places, but it was always the wrong Dosen.

The sheriff's office is still at work in the search for Dosen and hope yet to land him. Sterevich, the victim of his bullets, is recovering favorably at St. Mark's hospital and is now thought to be out of danger. He still suffers from the shooting or of any former trouble that existed between him and Dosen, and sticks to his story that Dosen simply walked into the boarding-house where he, Sterevich, was sitting, and without a word began firing.

SIOUX CITY HOMES  
ARE UNDER WATER

Stream That Separates East and West Sides of Place Suddenly Overflowed its Banks.

## RAILWAY TRACKS WASHED OUT

Floods Due to Heavy Rains—The Missouri, Kansas and Their Tributaries Up Again.

Sioux City, July 10.—One thousand persons were driven from their homes and many thousands of dollars damage was done by a flood in Perry creek, a small stream that separates the east and west sides, early today.

It was the worst flood in the city's history. A cloudburst north of Sioux City is believed to have been the cause. Leo J. Boethschader, aged 21, was drowned.

The flood apparently reached its crest during the day and the worst was believed to be over.

Five hundred homes in the densely populated district along the creek were surrounded by water. The plant of the City Traction company was flooded and street car traffic was tied up.

In the wholesale district near the Missouri river front, water from the creek ran along the streets and flooded the cellars causing heavy loss. The gas mains to the east side were broken by the flood and thousands were forced to eat cold breakfasts. Farmers from Perry creek telephoned the flood news to this city. Immediately whistles were blown and the residents in the threatened districts were aroused by police and firemen, but the flood came so rapidly that many had closed doors.

Perry creek, a small stream that separates the east side from the west side of Sioux City, suddenly overflowed its banks early today. Many homes today were surrounded with six feet of water and much damage resulted.

East of town the Great Northern and Illinois Central tracks were washed out in long stretches.

The Floyd river in the eastern part of the city also rose rapidly today and the people along its banks were warned. The overflows are due to heavy rains. Merrill, 15 miles east of here, reports almost a cloudburst with heavy damage to property and crops.

## MISSOURI UP AGAIN.

Kansas City, July 10.—Renewed heavy rains in northwestern Missouri and in Kansas last night again sent up the Missouri and Kansas rivers and their tributaries, but no serious result will follow, according to the local weather observer.

An effort was made today to raise the submerged cars of the Santa Fe train wrecked Wednesday near Pomona, Kan. The body of a farm hand named Hill has been found in the river. He is believed to have lived in the vicinity. All of the passengers of the wrecked train appear to have been accounted for despite rumors that additional bodies will be found when the flood recedes.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVORS  
HAVE BUSY FORENOON

St. Paul, July 10.—The delegates to the Twenty-fourth International Christian Endeavor convention crowded a full day's work in this forenoon in order that the afternoon might be free for excursions.

Following a quiet hour service there were sessions of Methodists in several downtown churches. Labor problems were discussed in the guild hall of the Christian church, under the leadership of Rev. Charles Stetzle. In the auditorium the business side of "Thy Kingdom Come" was discussed. The missionary committee conference at the same time in the armory, had a number of speakers from all parts of the world.

REPLICA OF FULTONS  
CLERMONT LAUNCHED

New York, July 10.—The strange looking little craft which is a replica of Robert Fulton's Hudson river steamboat, the Clermont, was launched today under the auspices of the Hudson-Fulton celebration commission at the Mariners' harbor yards of the Staten Island ship-building company.

Next fall, during the Hudson-Fulton celebration, the Clermont replica will be the central figure in a great flotilla of warships of all nations which will accompany her over the same course on the Hudson from New York to Albany which Fulton took in the original in August, 1807. The replica is as nearly the duplicate of the original as the commission could build from plans and dimensions noted in some of Fulton's own letters. She will be equipped with a replica of the old engine and make her trip up the Hudson to Albany under her own steam.

RULING PASSION  
STRONG IN DEATH

New York, July 10.—After he had been revived in a hospital, Samuel Lowey, a diamond merchant who fell from a New York Central train when it was going through the Harlem station at 20 miles an hour, felt of his pockets hysterically and asked if his diamonds had been found. Doctors drew from his pockets several packages containing \$18,000 worth of diamonds, but Lowey said there were more, that he had two large stones in a small pocket of his coat. While he was describing them, the police arrived at the hospital with the missing gems. A passenger had found them.

STOCK MARKET  
WAS LETHARGIC

Pressure to Realize Profits on Advances Outweighed the New Demand.

## TODAY'S PRICES WERE HIGHER

Stocks That Were Notably Weak Yesterday Were Stronger—Close Fairly Steady, Dull.

New York, July 10.—Stocks were lethargic in face of many favorable developments this week. The pressure to realize profits outweighed the new demand. The government crop reports were accepted as promise for the most profitable agricultural out-turn in the history of the country. Excellent conditions were reported from the iron and steel trades. Copper trade conditions were less satisfactory owing to accumulation of stocks in second hands. The tranquil passage of the half-yearly settlements gave assurance of continued ease in the money market. There was some activity of activity on the political side owing to the forecasting of government hostility to the "holding company" device employed by great corporations.

First prices of stocks today were generally higher but the dealings were very dull and most of the changes small. A rise of a point in Illinois Central was the only conspicuous feature.

Some of the stocks that were notably weak yesterday were advanced sharply today and there was also an extension of the opening rise in Illinois Central. Sympathetic fractional gains were made by the principal stocks, but a reaction of a point in Reading and a realizing in the Harbinger and the Amalgamated Copper depressed prices in many instances below yesterday's closing. The market closed fairly steady and very dull. Prices were higher on a narrow range but inclined to harden. Hocking Coal rose 1/4. Westinghouse Electric fell 1/4. United States and Terre Haute 1/4.

CHRISTIAN JOHNSON  
TURNED OVER TO SHERIFF

San Francisco, July 10.—Christian C. Johnson asserted by the police to be Joseph Madsen, married, nearly a score of women in as many cities, was turned over to the sheriff of Santa Clara county today and taken to San Jose, where a charge of bigamy has been preferred against him by Mrs. Josephine A. Tretheway.

As alleged in the complaint, when Joseph Madsen married Tretheway on April 27, 1909, he was the husband of Henrietta Leopold who resided in this city. Johnson stoutly denies that he is Madsen, and the police authorities his denial. He is a woman and also to Mrs. Sylvia De Bernet, but the admissions were not made until he was confronted with his own evidence.

Johnson is to be tried first on the complaint filed at San Jose, and the police declare that the evidence to be produced will establish beyond a doubt that he is the much wanted Madsen.

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CANADIAN PACIFIC  
TRAIN IS WRECKED

Vancouver, B. C., July 10.—A Canadian Pacific train of eight empty passenger coaches and the locomotive were wrecked yesterday afternoon at Bear Creek near Glacier, and Engineer A. Devar and fireman W. M. Beattie were killed. The train, which was running on the second section of the Seattle and Pacific line, which left Seattle Wednesday, struck a rock on the track and went over an embankment.

The cars were carried. Epworth League delegates to Seattle and were being hauled away.

MESSAGE FROM  
PEDESTRIAN WESTON

San Francisco, July 10.—Edward Payson Weston, the famous pedestrian, who nearing the end of his transcontinental walk, sent the following dispatch to the Associated Press from the city of Coxi, Cal., July 10.—Leaving Cisco at 9:30 Friday morning, I started a walk across the Sierras through the snows, but only walked two miles when I took the old overland stage route and made a total of 28 miles for Friday and Saturday. I will leave Cisco this morning and shortly after 9 o'clock this morning will stop at some quiet place about 100 miles west of the Sacramento river.

SAVING A SLEEP  
WALKER FROM DEATH

New York, July 10.—It required efforts of the fire department and a police detachment to save Miss Catherine Soulier, a sleepwalker, from death at her home in Yonkers. Miss Soulier, who had been afflicted with somnambulism for several days, rose from her bed and, with her eyes closed, walked out of a window on to a narrow ledge three stories above a well lighted street. Passersby saw her and called the police. An officer ran up stairs and climbed out of the window. Miss Soulier had reached the end of the ledge when the policeman grabbed her arm.

She awakened suddenly and when she looked down into the street, she became so terrified that she fainted. In falling her body went over the ledge but the officer held on to her arm. Other policemen came to her assistance, but they could not lift her back and the fire department was called out. An extension ladder was put up to the ledge and two firemen carried the young woman safely to the street.

ASQUITH ACCEPTS  
SUFFRAGETTE PETITION

London, July 9.—Four Suffragettes, who, under the leadership of Mrs. Despard, waited patiently for the last few days in the vicinity of parliament, yesterday Premier Asquith in Downing street this afternoon and tried to push through the police cordon that he could not get past. The women shouted "petition, petition, you grant us a hearing?" The premier turned on the steps of his home, saying, "I will take the petition."

He descended and having accepted the petition, entered his house without calling to any explanations. The delegation later were arrested, charged with disorderly conduct.

IN FAVOR OF  
PROHIBITION

Utah County Officials in Convention Assembled, So Declare Themselves.

## ENTHUSIASTIC GATHERING.

Jessie Knight Comes Out Strong For Suppression of Liquor Traffic.

(Special to the "News.")  
PROVO, July 10.—There was a large attendance of officials, mayors, city councilors, and county officers of Utah county, at the convention held this morning at the Commercial club rooms which was called for the purpose of devising uniform prohibition legislation throughout Utah county. The gathering was an enthusiastic one.

Mayor James Gardner of American Fork was selected as temporary chairman and J. M. Jensen temporary secretary. In his opening speech, Chairman Gardner stated that he was strongly in favor of prohibition, and his delegation were authorized to vote for prohibition straight.

## SOME LEGAL OPINIONS.

County Attorney Evans by request gave it his opinion, citing statutes to prove his contention, that city and town governments have the right to enact prohibition ordinances, but that the county government was not authorized to compel them to do so.

## COMMITTEES NAMED.

The convention then selected committees on prohibition, order of business and resolutions, respectively. A recess was taken till 1:30 p. m. The sentiment of the delegates throughout seems strong for prohibition.

## JESSE KNIGHT ON PROHIBITION.

PROVO, July 10.—Jesse Knight was asked his opinion on the prohibition question, and at once said: "Why you can know that I am in favor of prohibition and have always been, even when I took a drink. I consider the use of liquor as a beverage one of the greatest evils of the age, and I believe we will get prohibition. I am in favor of national prohibition, and I believe we will get that; and not before the states ask for it. And I am in favor of the same here, but we will probably not get that before the counties ask for it. But I am in favor of getting what we can, and county prohibition is the best thing to get the county officials to give us prohibition in the country around the smelter. It was only the other day that a man was killed out there through drinking and card playing. The two always go together. I can't understand why business men say the liquor traffic is good for business. I have never seen it produce any money. Employees lose thousands of dollars through it. Men can't work after they come off a spree, but their wages are paid. I have heard him talk about wanting to license saloons in order to reduce taxes. All that means is that they want some poor drunkards to get paid taxes. I am ought to pay. Yes, you can say I am in favor of prohibition. I would take the stump for that, if it would do any good, and it is the only thing I would take the stump for, and I think the meeting today is a good thing, a step in the right direction and will be productive of good results."

DIVERSIFIED CROPS  
HELP THE SOUTHERNERS

New York, July 10.—To a greater diversification of agriculture is attributed the prosperity which the south is enjoying by President W. W. Finley of the Southern railroads. After attending a directors' meeting here, he said that higher prices of wheat had led southern farmers to plant crops other than cotton, and that this had been a great success, that continued prosperity of the southern states was assured. Cotton mills in the south had proven so successful, said Mr. Finley, that many others were now being built.

WANT TO KNOW IF THEY  
ARE LEGALLY MARRIED

Chicago, July 10.—Weeping wives and frightened husbands besieged the office of Marriage License Clerk Salmonson in the county building yesterday in a vain effort to learn whether they were legally married, or whether, according to a recent decision of municipal Judge Beiter, they had been united by justices of the peace who had no authority.

Many women carried babies, while others led small children. All had read of Judge Beiter's ruling that marriage ceremonies performed by justices of the peace in Chicago since the inauguration of the municipal court were null and void.

Judge Foster, acting chief justice of the municipal court, declared that the law was plain and undoubtedly every marriage performed by a justice of the peace, since the law went into effect is illegal.

A special act of the legislature may be sought to legalize all such marriages.

KILLED HIS WIFE  
WITH WOODEN LEG

Grand Rapids, Mich., July 10.—After completing an autopsy today on the bodies of Warren G. Rowland and his wife, Yashu Perry Rowland, which were found yesterday in a vacant house, the surgeons and coroner decided that Rowland had strangled his wife with a blow from his wooden leg, had wrecked the gas fixtures in the room, permitting the gas to pour out, and then cut his own throat.