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## Current

Autos And Roads.

Those who advocate a casoline tax sell the idea by explaining that a nost bear the greater part of the ourden of improving them. In other ine tax, would contribute most to ward road development.

Statistics show two important things in lowa. First, that more than eighty per cent of the traffic is on the primary roads. Second, that there is one automobile for every 4 1 Only California leads this state in automobiles per capita.

The legislative reactionaries at Des Moines demand that the entire gaso line tax be devoted to the by-roads secondary and township. In other vords, they want Iowa's vast motor owning population, which uses th primary roads eighty per cent, or four-fifths, of the time to pay a ta that would produce upwards of four millions of dollars, every penny of which would, in effect, be devoted to roads which this population use only one-fifth of the time.

That is the reactionary idea of economy. To taxpayers of common sense it looks more like political and economic insanity,

### What Goes Up—

That two dollar wheat collapsed to \$1 66% in Chicago yesterday. wrong with the "foreign shortage." have unloaded several millions of

fortune takers, however. Numerous traders, some of whom even now are sojourning in Florida, where land and not wheat is the present god. sold short and made their cleanings

norning, early, they probably took

### Likes A Fight.

ose another chapter in the Charles the end of the story if Mr. Coolidge again is turned down, and it looks

ial confirmation of the Michigan self, but it is certain that he is after more than a mere cabinet appoint ment, although that is considerable Tradition gives the President the right to choose his own cabinet, for ponsibility. There few exceptions. Mr Coolidge apparently does not enjoy the thought of being a party to one of those,

### Wanted-Honesty.

When the state of Iowa once when the state of Iowa once more can produce political leadership and responsibility that refuse to capitalize the once dying but now revived distinction between town and country its people will be insinitely better off than they are today. When the people of Iowa realize that it is time to administer a swift kick to every office seeker and office holder who arrays one class of citizenship against another we will have an altogether different.

At a banquet of Amherst alumni last night, President George Daniel Olds of Amherst, said that John Coolids of Amherst, said that John Coolided that John Coolids of Amherst, said that John Coolids of Said that John Coolids of Said that John Coolids was made by the youth. The story came from Col. Coolidge while bound to Washington with Teports current that when that it is time to administer a swift kick to every office seeker and office holder who arrays one class of the press.)—Wheat made a wavelength said that John Coolids of Sa we will have an altogether different kind of legislature at Des Moines. If there is one thing that can wreek a community or a common wealth it is this constant emphasis on projudice. Brookhart started it in Iowa and his temporary political in Iowa and his temporary political in Iowa and his temporary to involve the large of the colored to the col on prejudice. Brookhart started it in Iowa and his temporary political success was sufficient to inspire others to follow suit. Brookhart's close shave last fall seems not to have given pause to his imitators at Des Moines. And the result is a situation that should make good lowans ashumed of themselves. When the house cleaning comes it will be a terrifically stremuous affair. Sooner or later voters in both city and county are going to tire of political sap heads who advance their own interests at the expense of the whole state.

### Uneasy Million.

William D Shepherd of Chicago tal William D Shepherd of Chicago
Is learning that happiness is not
the invariable companion of
money Shepherd inherited a mil
lion dollars or more from William
Nelson McClintock, who died of typhoid fever which Chief Justice
liarry Olson thinks was contracted
by the boy under suspicious cir-

cumstances
For weeks Shepherd has been
kept on uneasy street by the persistent efforts of Judge Olson to
show that the helr had given evisistent efforts of Judge Olson to show that the helr had given evidence of unusual interest in bacteriology classes and the study of typhoid bacelli. The latest development in a case that has attracted nation-wide attention is the assertion by the head of a science school that Shepherd attended classes in that institution, and that tubes of typhus culture disappeared from the school at about the time Shepherd quit it Shepherd is under arrest.

Whether or not Shepherd succeeds in clearing himself of all suspicion that million dollars is not going to provide the satisfaction he had anticipated.

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# CRAND JURY TO PROBE SHEPHI

## 7 Killed, 24 Shot In Red Battle POISONED RUM

# GERMAN COPS

### 4,000 Communists In Wild Scene At Halle Hotbed Of Red Movement. •

HALLE, Germany, March 14.— (By International News),—A communist pre-election meeting that developed into a gun hattle when police broke it up, resulted today in the killing of seven persons and the

wounding of twenty-four.
Six of the injured, four of them policemen, suffered wounds that doctors said would doubtless prove fatal. The communists were meeting in preparation for the coming presi

dential campaign.
Thousands jammed the meeting hall where Ernest Thachnam, communist candidate for president, and other speakers delivered inflamma-

tory speeches.
Police had permitted the meeting only on condition that two English and one French communist who had would not be permitted to speak.
The trouble started when one of the
English speakers started to deliver speech despite police injunction. Police Jeered.

A police officer started to interrupt him, but failed He summoned a squad of policemen. When police entered the hall they were hooted and jeered. One of the reds swung a chair at the police.

At the height of the rioting shots were fired from the gallery.

Police returned the fire and the disorders became, widespread The outbreak was finally quelled and the outbreak was finally quelled at the company of the

After the first shot, hundreds bomthat the executive is after

barded the police from the safety of the gallery, hurling beer glasses, chairs, tables, sticks and ash trays. During the jumult, the stairway broke under the weight of men and women who were running down stairs, pushed by the hundreds behind them. Many of the injured were hurt in the crash.

### Aversion To Liquor Changed Career Of

NEW YORK, March 14.- (By Asso-NEW YORK, March 14.—(By A880-clated Press).—The aversion of Cal-vin Coolidge to seiling liquor now is revealed as one thing that possibly started him on the road to the White

WHEAT DOWN AGAIN

At a banquet of Amherst alumni

sure his son was the right type and and rye were almost equally irregulate that he finally decided he had better har, but in the main followed the apprentice him to a pharmacist. At turbulent course of the wheat mar-That ended it, Calvin Coolidge was

### graduated from Amherst in 1895. Insane Man Kills 3 Children, Wounds

1. Slashes His Wife

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 14.— (By International News.)—Three children were slain with an axe, a children were slain with an axe, a fourth is in a serious condition from shock, and M T Gibson 35, a garage helper, is under police guard at the General hospital where he was taken with a severe head wound, as the result of Gibson running amuck here today. Gibson was found at the foot of the stairs in the cellar at his home, it is helieved to have fallen down the stairs and to have struck his head on the death axe. Hospital attendants said his condition was serious.

Gibson was chosing his wife around their home in north Kansas city, according to neighbors. As she cluded him, he crashed the axe against the skull of the children the foot holic police reached the seen. He

### MRS. RICHARD BENNETT.

Richard Bennett, the distinguished actor. They separated six months ago, he taking a house a few doors away. Now she has brought suit and Benjett seemed. nett says he will not contest it He says he loves her, admits he is temperamental and that she is entitled to a divorce.

WORCESTER, Mass., March 14. Licut. Eric Nelson, world flyer.

### FLOUR AND WHEAT IN SHARP DROP TODAY

Breadstuff Off 65 Cents Barrel At Minneapolis; Chicago And Winnipeg Both Show Decline In Cereal.

MINNEAPOLIS, March 14,—(By Associated Press.)—Flour took one of the most radical declines in many months today when the largest mills here cut their quotations Changed Career Of
Calvin Coolidge

Go cents a barrel for the best grade of family patents. The range today was \$8.90 to \$9.10 a barrel, tt being the first time since last December that a figure under \$9 was quotable here. The severe drop in wheat

CHICAGO, March 14.—(By Associated Press.)—Wheat made a wavering start today and then plunged downward far below yesterday's

## Walter Camp Dies

# HIM NOT GUILTY

Aged Millionaire Is Freed Of Charge Of Defaming Wife; Acquit Negro.

CHICAGO, March 14.-William E. D. Stokes, Wegar-old New York millionaire, is not guilty of conspiracy to defame his 38-year-old pretty wife, Helen Ellwood Stokes.

He was acquitted late yesterday by a jury in criminal court after a sensational trial of six weeks. Three ballots were taken, the first two tanding eleven to one for acquittal Robert F Lee, his Negro co-deendant; was acquitted on the first

fore reaching a verdict. Rendering it was delayed another fifteen minutes while search was made for Lee. 'He, it was discovered, had gone home with his wife and was resence was not necessary. Stokes Weeps.

hands folded in his lap as the verdict was read. Then he snatched out a handkerchief, dabbed tears from his eyes and got to his feet.

"Your Honor," he said to the court, "I want to thank you for a fair and impartial trial. Now I want to thank the jury."

He shook hands with each of the twelve, saying only "thank you" the way only "thank you" the court, "I be the twelve to the twelve twelve to the twelve to the twelve to the twelve to the twelve twelve to the twelve to the twelve twelve to the twelve ands folded in his lap as the verdic

Stokes at her hotel denied

wife and conducted an honest inves-

As 'a result she had said, before

### Colder Weather Is Due To Strike East

ested her.

with a rise in temperatures, how-ever, was the forecast for Sunday.

The sudden drop in temperatures, following spring-like weather,

accompanied by snow.

The lowest official temperature re ported today to the weather bureau

country found sufficient credence to lift the market soon to \$1.68 for May, six cents rally from the earlier low levels.

DECLINE AT WINNIPEG.

WINNIPEG, Man. March 14.—
(By Associated Press.)—Wheat for May delivery gold at \$1.69 a bushed here today, a decline of 344 cents in sixteen days.

The committee expects to encounted to safety their five children ranging in age from 3 to 15 when fire, which destroyed the interior of their home, forced them to flee in their night clothes into a blinding snow storm.

Therefore dealing announced today. A report must be announced today.

## Counties Liable For

### Town Of Andrew In Grip Of Flu; School Is Closed Navratil Suffered Of

(BY LONG DISTANCE PHONE.) ommunity in the grip of a serious epidemic of influenza, the public schools were closed yesterday by the board of education. Thirty children, ness and as many more adults have

possibly longer if the epidemic does Entire families are reported to

have the flu and there are few nomes in this town of 289 persons family are not sick. Business has suffered and farm work has been handicapped. Adding to the seriousness of the

situation is the almost impassable condition of the roads which have been treacherous lanes of muddy ruts, now crusted with ice and snow as a result of last night's storm.
There is but one physician in the
town and he has been kept busy. medical assistance from Maguoketa, seven miles to the south, when doctors can get over the roads.
Thus far there have been no

deaths here directly attributed to the flu, but there are several serious cases which it is foared may develop into pneumonia.

### Fight On Couzens Leads Senate To Choke Off Senator

after he was "called to order", for nsking permission to call a fellow senator "a willful, wicked and maliclous liar." Ernst did not indicate who the term would be applied to but the drift of debate pointed his remarks to Senator James A. Couzens, republican of Michigan.

reau of internal revenue, assaued Couzens' charges that he was being "punished" by the treasury because of his prosecution of the inquiry.

Ernst charged that Couzens was "posing as a martyr."

"The action by the department in regard to Senator Couzens has been colleged in thousands of other cases.

Iowa This Evening

DES MOINES, March 14.—(By Associated Press.)—A cold wave that struck Iowa late yesterday, continued today, with the United States weather bureau predicting it would be still colder in the eastern portion of the state tonight. Fair weather

### Compromsie Gas Bill Expected To Be Framed Sunday

and rye were almost equally irregular, but in the main followed the turbulent course of the wheat market.

Conflicting advices in regard to export business harried traders nearly to the point of frenzy. Reports of new export buying in this country found sufficient credence to lift the market soon to \$1.68 for May, six cents rally from the earli-

Three-members of the commutee are regarded as favorable to the Bergman bill, which provides a larger fund for the primary system than the Bowman bill. The latter measure contemplates a more rapid evelopment of township roads.

### Waterloo Woman's Murder Trial Will Be A Mental Test WATERLOO, March 14-(by In-

ternational News.) - When Mrs Marie Maharras goes on trial here next Monday for murder in connection with the death of her 6 year old stepson, last August, the hearing will be to determine her mental status, W. A. Cook, county attorney, said today. Psychology experts at both the University of Jowa and the State Teachers' college here were the state that the contract of lege have pronounced her of un sound mind.

### YOUR PAPER

If your Evening Gazette does not reach your home at a reason able hour, please telephone the office, 7500, not later than 630 at which time a special carrier leaves to deliver papers to those who have been missed.

# **CAUSE OF DEATH**

### Broken Blood Vessel In Brain; Alcohol In His Stomach.

(CEDAR RAPIDS NEWS.)

To prevent further spread of the flu and also because it was difficult to continue classes—with only half attendance, the board decided to improve the continue classes with only half attendance, the board decided to improve the continue classes with only half attendance, the board decided to improve the continue classes. ing near Gardendale, Thursday, acand cording to Coroner R. A. Vorpahl

The report of Dr. H. L. Van Winkle, chemist who examined the stomach fluids of the dead man, showed that there "was not a suffi-cient amount of poisonous sub-stances present to have caused death."

Following the autopsy Thursday

prollowing the autopsy and sany morning, when the stomach was removed. Dr. Vorpahl made a cranial incision late yesterday, and discovered that a hemorrhage had taken blace to the health place in the brain The examination of the stomach fluids failed to show any trace of kerosene although there was an "abnormal amount of clear, yellow-

ish fluid, and some ethyl alcohol."
The stomach was greatly enlarged,
and was lined with many sores
three and four centimeters in diamcter, caused, according to Dr. Vor bahl by excessive drinking. Iti blood vessels were engorged, hi heart dilated, and his arteries weak oned by constant drinking, Dr. Vor

Sick Day Before Death. Navratil worked hard the day be

fore his death with his son in Cedar Rapids. He belped chop down and cut up a tree, and left for hone in the middle of the afternoon, complaining of feeling a little sick.

He went to his home, not knowing that his wife, hoping to warn him that the mash in his barrel had been poleoned by Prohibition Agent to be a beginning to the large the large that he had been soleoned by Prohibition Agent when he had a been soleoned by Prohibition Agent when he had a been soleoned by Prohibition Agent when he had a been soleoned by Prohibition Agent when he is reported to have told his wife he did. The examination of his stom-

ach showed that he had drunk liquor of some kind.

Later in the afternoon he fell in a swoon, and struck his head agains the sink. This fractured his nos

by prohibition agents in raiding his place the day before. The practice of "doping" it, they say, rather than completely destroying it, is common where the amount is too large to bring to the office for evi-

### Ah! Gloria's Count Is An Apollo, Such Eves, Such A Mouth

NEW YORK, March 14.—Gloria Swanson married an "Apollo" when she became the Marquise de la Fal-alse, according to Count de Rouserny, her friend, who arrived on the increase.

"He is taller and much more

"He is taller and much more handsome than Valentino, more masculine in appearance than Ramon Novarro," the count declared.
"Oh, he is wonderful, as Miss Swanson found. She fell in love with his voice, then with his eyes, mouth, nose, ears, and—they became engaged."

The count was there when they met, and saw the progress of the

met, and saw the progress of the romance, as he worked with Miss Swanson in her latest picture, then being filmed, and in which he has a prominent part.

### Coolidge Abandons Fight For Warren, To Pick A New Man

WASHINGTON, March 14.—(By International News.) — President Coolidge has decided to abandon his fight to name Charles B. Warren as attorney general, International News learned this afternoon.

While the Warren appointment will remain before the senate to meet a second and unavoidable rejection, the President now is engaged in selecting another nomineo to head the department of justice. This was the word revealed to This was the word revealed to senatorial leaders following a hurried conference at noon between the President and Senator Charles Curtis of Kansas, the republican leader.

### President Jessup Returns To Duties

IOWA CITY, March 14.-(By As IOWA CITY, March 14.—(By As sociated Press.)—Walter A. Jessup, president of the University of Iowa, returned yesterday from New Orleans, where he has been recuperating after a long slege of typhoid fever He was taken ill on December 10 and will return to his duties today for the first time in more than three months. three months. SNOW AT FT. DODGE

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For some weeks the seantor has not appeared in the best of health.

When he was stricken, friends help ed him from the senate chamber to be six inches of snow this morning following a bilizard that lasted all day Frday and Friday night. The temperature dropped to six above during the night.

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Lake City, a personal friend, and at intervals during rest of another physician attended him.

### TEAPOT JUDGE

### **FOR POISONING Effort Made to Bring About Release On A** Habeas Corpus; Denies Guilt.

CHICAGO, March 14 .- (By International News.) - Evidence against William D. Shepherd will be presented to the grand jury Monday Assistant State's Attorney Q. J. Chott told Chief Justice Jacob Hopkins of the criminal court today in the midst of a bitter habeas corpus pattle between the state and counsel

Shepherd, now under armed guard in a loop hotel in connection with the investigation of the death of William Nelson McClintock, "mil-lionaire orphan," and foster son of Shepherd who was chief beneficiary

"If Mr. Shepherd is released by the court we will immediately have him arrested and booked on a serious charge."

CHICAGO, March 14.—(By International News.)—The investigation into the death of William Nelson Me-

Shepherds were taken into

## CHEVENNE, Wyo.—The government's fight to annul the leas on the Teapot Dome naval oil reserve granted the Mammoth Oil company, by former Secretary of the Interior Fall de being was din the Federal court at Cheyenne, presided over by Judge T. Blake Kennedy of the United States court BOWMAN ATTACKS IA. G.O.P. COMMITTEI

-Pacific and Atlantic Photo

JUDGE T. BLAKE' KENNEDY.

State Senator Says It Does Not Represent People: Declares It Is Disrupting Republican Party.

STATE HOUSE, Des March 14.—(By Associated Press.)— Attacking the Jown republican state central committee, which recently decired in the state senate that it there is anything disrupting the re-publican party in Iowa, it is this self-appointed committee which does not express the sentiment of republi-cans of Iowa."

Senator Bowman was speaking on behalf of a motion by Senator Buser of Muscatine, for reconsideration of his bill proposing election of state central committeemen in the primary. The motion was carried with only a few scattering votes, and the bill which was defeated Wednesday by a vote of 23 to 27, will be returned to the calendar.

by a vote of 23, to 21, will be re-turned to the calendar. Senator Bowman contended that "the republican party of Iowa needs.a cledning from within, and not through the medium of a new

party.

'Ho charged that the present membership of the committee was "not representative of Jown republicanropresentative of Jown republicanism" and that the committee had "insulted and slurred Senator Brookhart, who has been placed in office by a substantial vote of the people." "The question here is,", the senator continued, "can you have a fairer demonstration of what people want than the expression of the ballot? The people want to elect this contral committee which speaks for them. This bill will give them that privilege. It will afford an opportunity for a cleaning up of party affairs that the people desire."

Senator Dean of Osceola, who op posed the motion, sought to defer action until a full attendance could pass on it, but withheld a motion to

### Smoot Stricken In Senate, Condition Is Not Alarming

pass on it, but withheld a motion to that effect when Senator Buser as-sured him the bill would not be

called up today.

WASHINGTON, D. C. March 14 -Senator Reed Smoot of Utah, a veteran among republican leaders, veteran among republican leaders, was taken ill yesterday in the senate and after receiving medical treatment was removed to his home.

The senator's physicians said he had been stricken with indigestion, but that his condition was not serious and that he expected to be in his place in the senate today.

At his home, however, it was declared he had suffered a "general breakdown," due to overwork, and that absolute rest for two weeks had been prescribed with the reservathat absolute rest for two weeks had been prescribed with the reservation that he might go to the senate today to cast his vote on the Warren nomination.

For some weeks the senator has not appeared in the best of health When he was stricken for the senator has not appeared in the best of health when he was stricken for the senator has not appeared in the best of health when he was stricken for the senator has not appeared in the best of health when he was stricken for the senator has not appeared in the best of health when he was stricken for the senator has not appeared in the best of health when he was stricken for the senator has not appeared in the best of health when he was stricken for the senator has not appeared in the best of health when he was stricken for the senator has not appeared in the best of health when he was stricken for the senator has not appeared in the best of health when he was stricken for the senator has not appeared in the best of health when he was stricken for the senator has not appeared in the best of health when he was stricken for the senator has not appeared in the best of health when he was stricken for the senator has not appeared in the senator has not appe

## SUSPECT HELD OF M'CLINTOCK

The battle raged over custody of

under the youth's will. Judge Hopkins issued the writ for the release of Shepherd. After Chott

Clintock, "millionaire orphan," took another startling turn today when Mr. and Mrs. William D. Shepherd. foster parents of young McClintock, were selzed by detectives from the office of Robert E. Crowe, state's at-

custody after new charges had been made by Dr. C. C. Palman, head of the National University of Sciences. Face to face with Faiman in Crowe's office Shepherd and

by Falman how to use a microscope and how to identify typhold baccill; that he took a letter from the school flies in which he made application for courses in the school and, after taking the letter, laid \$50 on the table for Falman; that he had anything to do with tubes of typhus culture which Falman charges were missed shortly after the quit attending classes. ing classes. May go to Grand Jury,

While Crowe has not committed himself, it seemed certain, those close to the investigators said, that the evidence would be taken before the grand jury at once, possibly today. In the meantime, Crowo was to consublican party in Iowa, it is this selfappointed committee, which does not
express the sentiment of republicans of Iowa."

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Attempts were to be made by Ed-win Hedrick, counsel for Shepherd, to free his client on writs of habeas corpus.

Hedrick accompanied Shepherd to

the state's attorney's office but was refused permission to talk to him or even to see him after they left the Shepherd home in Kennilworth. When police returned later and took Mrs. Shepherd into custody, Robert Stoll, also of counsel for Shepherd and the Rev. C. C. Naumann, pastor of the St. Paul's Lutheran church of Evanston, accompanied her.

panied her.
Throughout the grilling Mrs.
Shepherd was cool and calm as was
her husband. Both refused to give
out any information except to deny
everything that was charged. Search For Students.

Detectives from the state's attorney's office today were searching the city for post graduate students of the science school, who were expected by the state to testify that Shepherd did attend bacteriology classes, and all-telephone toll-calls from the Shepherd home also were being checked. This was being done to dechecked. This was being done to determine whether Shepherd had any communication with Dr. Falman; with John P. Marchand, salesman for the school, who alleged that he talked with Shepherd about taking courses; in the school; with Dr. George Fosberg, who said before the coroner's jury that Shepherd paid him \$50 to give him information on the effects of and how to trace poisons and typhoid germs.

Marchand again identified Shepherd early today and Shepherd said: herd early today and Shepherd said:
"I don't know this gentleman"
- Like Dr. Falman, Marchand re-

### plied:.-.\ . "You're a llar." Flogged Boy Gets Letter Signed KKK

JASPER, Ala., March 14.—(By Associated Press.)—George Tallant, Jasper youth, who was flogged by a party of hooded men Monday