

HIS PLACE IS VACANT

COUNCILMAN OLE THOMPSON DIES IN OFFICE FOLLOWING DISTRESSING ACCIDENT OF WEDNESDAY.

Passes Away At Seven O'clock This Morning, Funeral Being Fixed for Wednesday Afternoon at Two Thirty—Leaves Two Daughters and Four Grandchildren—Prominent in City Official Life.

Ole Thompson is dead. The councilman from the Second ward and president of the council passed away at 7 this morning, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Millie King, at Seventh and Garfield streets, in the room in which he was taken following the accident near Plains station Wednesday afternoon, when his automobile turned over and he was pinned underneath, receiving injuries about the



Ole Thompson.

head and face that resulted fatally. It was thought yesterday, for a time, that he was improving, and word went among his friends that there was a decided chance for his recovery, but at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon there came a turn for the worse, and all that his loving daughters and his faithful physician could do proved unavailing. The body is now being prepared for interment beside that of his wife, who died October 29, 1911. The funeral will occur from the King residence at 2:30 Wednesday afternoon, with services by Rev. Jensen, pastor of Trinity Lutheran church, on Pine street, to which church Mr. Thompson belonged and where he had worshipped for years. The pallbearers will include personal friends of the deceased, including members of Laramie lodge, Masons.

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WOMAN KILLED.
Jenkins Charged With Beating Wife to Death With Club.
Cheyenne, Wyo., April 15.—Mrs. Warren Jenkins, was murdered here last night. Her husband found her body when he returned from down town at 9 o'clock. Her head had been pounded with an Indian club. The house was ransacked, but numerous articles of jewelry were untouched. Jenkins claims he left the house at 4 in the afternoon. Jenkins and fifty-four tramps are held for investigation.
Convinced of Jenkins' Guilt.
The chief of police and sheriff are convinced that Jenkins killed his wife. Jenkins did not arouse the neighbors when he arrived home, but went at once to the coroner. The coroner says the woman had been dead several hours. Jenkins is left-handed and the right side of the woman's face was smashed by the blows from the Indian club. The murderer went to the sink and washed his hands. Jenkins says he was home from noon until 4 o'clock, but a street car conductor says he rode on his car between 3 and 3:30. The couple had been married six months.

DAY IN CONGRESS.

Cummins Resumes Speech On The Tobacco Bill.
Washington, D. C., April 15.—The day in Congress.
The Senate.
Met at noon.
Senator Cummins resumed his speech advocating tobacco decree intervention bill.
The House.
Met at noon.
Considered bills on unanimous consent calendar.
Erdman act mediators advocated before Interstate Commerce Committee acts extension to all branches of industry.

MAY COME SOON NOW

INTERVENTION BY THE UNITED STATES IN MEXICO BELIEVED TO BE FORESHADOWED IN NOTE SATURDAY.

Forceful Comment By State Department to Contending Factions in Mexico, Warning Them Against Any Mistreatment of Americans, Believed to Be Same as Sent By President McKinley to Cubans.

Washington, D. C., April 15.—The State Department's forceful note to the contending factions in Mexico, warning them against any mistreatment of Americans, is believed to have brought the relations between the United States and Mexico to the critical point. This is a fair deduction from past experiences and tradition of the State Department, notably and recently in the case of Cuba. It is recalled that such warning as this preceded the Spanish-American war, culminating in the famous message of President McKinley, which referred to "intolerable conditions existing at our doorway."

Sobering Effect.
It still is hoped and believed by administration officials, however, that Saturday's notes will have a sobering effect on the passions of the factions and that it will not be necessary for the American government to consider drastic steps regarding Mexico.

This hope led to renewed assurances from official quarters that there will be no intervention.

The next step must be taken by Mexicans, either through the rebel leader, Orozco, or by President Madero, from whom some kind of an answer to the State Department's representation surely will be forthcoming. "Actions speak louder than words," was a State Department comment today, in reference to Orozco, who will be judged by his deeds rather than by his promises.

Conditions Growing Worse.
Meanwhile conditions throughout Mexico have undoubtedly become worse within the last week, and State Department advices from various agencies as made public show that the area of turbulence and violence has grown to formidable proportions. Conditions in the states of Michoacan, Puebla and Morelos, forming a semi-circle closely adjoining the state of Mexico are daily becoming worse. Similar reports come from the states of Sonora and Sinaloa, comprising most of the western boundary of Mexico, while disturbances in the state of Vera Cruz threatens the Atlantic communications with the Mexican capital.

May Buy Arms.
In response to an appeal from the American consul at Guadalajara, Mexico, President Taft has authorized the exportation of 150 rifles and 50,000 rounds of ammunition for arming the citizens of the United States in that district.

This is the second step by this government to permit Americans in Mexico to receive munitions of war for self-protection, Americans in Mexico City already having been similarly armed. The president also gave his consent to the exportation of 400 rifles, 150,000 cartridges and many mis-

WYOMING'S STANDING IS WELL TO THE FRONT

WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT ABLE TO REFUTE WITH FIGURES SOME DEROGATORY STATEMENTS.

Prominent Citizens of State Defaming Fair Name of Commonwealth For Political Reasons and False Positions Shown By Recourse to the Report of the Bureau of the Census—Proud State Gets Own.

By J. A. Breckons.
Special to The Republican.
Washington, D. C., April 15.—I have noticed from time to time in some of the Wyoming newspapers, and in addresses made by prominent citizens of Wyoming, statements to the effect that the state had not been making as rapid progress as its neighbors. These statements, if confined to the limits of our own state, perhaps would call for no comment, as the people living in Wyoming know full well that the state has been making rapid strides forward in agriculture, commerce and population, but, unfortunately, these derogatory statements get circulated outside of the state and occasionally they crop up here in Washington and are used in opposition to efforts which are being made from time to time in behalf of Wyoming through federal legislation.

Recently I have taken occasion to look over some of the reports issued by the Thirteenth Census, and these cellaneous gun parts for the Mexican government.

WARNING TRANSMITTED.

Copy of President's Note Sent to Mexican Foreign Office.

Mexico City, April 15.—President Taft's warning to the Mexican government that the United States "expects and must demand that American life and property within the Republic of Mexico be justly and adequately protected" was transmitted by the American embassy to the Mexican foreign office today. The ambassador declined to make any comment.

The warning is regarded by foreigners here as wise and timely, though it is recognized that the Mexican administration is disposed to respect American lives to its utmost capacity. It is believed the warning will have the effect of causing sharp instructions to be issued to General Villa, whose irregulars constitute the danger point, if any, in the federal control.

The foreign minister was unwilling to make any comment pending full consideration of the text of the message.

MAY BE SUPPRESSED.

Government Warning Not Mentioned by Consul Letcher.

El Paso, Texas, April 15.—If the government warning has been received by Consul Letcher he was keeping the matter secret this morning, or the rebel censor had suppressed the news. A press dispatch received this afternoon from Chihuahua makes no mention of it.

LOCKOUT ORDERED.

American Engineers and Conductors to Be Succeeded by Mexicans.

Laredo, Texas, April 15.—A lockout of American engineers and conductors on the National lines of Mexico will begin tomorrow, it was announced today. Mexican locomotive engineers will reach here tonight ready to take the Americans' run into Mexico tomorrow.

HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI TO HAVE A DANCE.

The High School Alumni association will give a dance at the high school gymnasium next Friday night.

ARRIVES FROM DENVER.

TO RESIDE HERE.
Harry Simpson, who has accepted a position with the Wyoming Commission company, arrived in Laramie Saturday evening from Denver.

show that Wyoming stands well in the matter of growth in population, manufacturing, farming and irrigation when compared with the entire United States, with the Rocky mountain region, and with the individual states adjoining us.

Census Report on Population.
The census reports the mountain region of the United States is made up to the states of Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah and Nevada.

Our neighboring adjoining states, as you know, are Montana, South Dakota, Nebraska, Colorado, Utah and Idaho.

As to population, the reports for the Thirteenth census show that the increase in population of the United States from 1896 to 1900 was 20.7 per cent. The increase of population of the mountain division was 38 per cent. The increase of population of Wyoming for the same period was 47.9. Compared with her neighbors, Wyoming led in increase of population from 1890 to 1900 all excepting Montana and Idaho.

The increases of population in that period of Wyoming and her neighbors were as follows:

Wyoming	47.9 per cent
Montana	70.3 per cent
Idaho	82.7 per cent
Colorado	30.6 per cent
Utah	31.3 per cent
Nebraska	0.3 per cent
South Dakota	15.2 per cent

In the census period 1900 to 1910 (Continued on Page Two.)

RAILROAD MEN GATHER TODAY

VERY IMPORTANT CONFERENCE BEING HELD AT KANSAS CITY FOR PURPOSE OF ORGANIZING UNION.

Federation of Shop Employees of All the Railroads West of Mississippi Contemplated, J. W. Kline of Chicago Union Presiding—Will Embrace Shopmen in Allied Branches for Concentrating Demands.

Kansas City, Mo., April 15.—To perfect a federation of the shop employees of all the railroads west of the Mississippi river, representatives of five railroad craft organizations began a meeting at the labor temple here today. Plans for the new organization have been under way for several months. The object of the federation, embracing unions with an aggregate membership of 200,000 men employed on forty-seven railroads, is to do away with the necessity of separate organizations taking up negotiations with separate railroads, and to unite all the mechanical trades so that concerted action may be taken when wage demands are made. Demands will be made on all railroads in the same territory at the same time, so that all the roads will be involved simultaneously if a strike is called.

Kline in the Chair.

The meeting was called to order by J. W. Kline of Chicago, and after committees on rules and credentials had been appointed, an adjournment was taken until 2:30 this afternoon. Representatives of four affiliated unions—the clerks, painters, laborers and steam fitters' organizations—were present, and they will make an effort to be admitted to the federation that is to be formed.

"This is the most important meeting of railroad men ever called in this country," said M. F. Ryan. He added that the meeting probably would last all this week.

BOARD OF MEDIATION.

Creation of Federal Organization Advocated by Judge Knapp.

Washington, D. C., April 15.—The creation of a Federal Board of Mediation and Conciliation, ultimately to ar-

bitrate industrial wars in all branches of business, was advocated today before the House interstate and foreign commerce committee by Judge Martin A. Knapp, who presides over the United States commerce court.

ASKED FOR \$788,000.

President Sends Message to Congress for Relief of Flood Sufferers.

Washington, D. C., April 15.—President Taft today sent to Congress a special message urging the immediate appropriation of amounts aggregating nearly \$788,000 for use in controlling the floods of the Mississippi river and to aid flood sufferers.

TITANIC IS DISABLED

HUGE STEAMER STRIKES ICEBERG OFF COAST OF NEWFOUNDLAND AND PASSENGERS TAKEN OFF

Vessel Communicates Disaster to Another Ship and This and Steamer Olympic Hastened to Scene—Vessel on Maiden Trip and Noted as Being Largest Ever Floated—Twelve Hundred Passengers.

New York, April 15.—Wireless dispatches up to noon today showed that the passengers of the White Star liner Titanic, which struck an iceberg off the New Foundland coast last night, were being transferred aboard the steamer Carpathia, a Cunarder.

Already twenty boatloads had been transferred, and, allowing forty to sixty persons as the capacity of each lifeboat, some 800 or 1,200 passengers have been transferred. Latest reports indicate that the transference is being carried on safely. The sea is smooth and the weather calm. It is probable that all passengers of the Titanic are safe.

Still Afloat.

While badly damaged, the Titanic still is afloat and is reported to be making her way toward Halifax under her own steam.

The Titanic is the largest steamer ever built. She is 882 feet long and has 46,328 tons displacement. She was launched last May and this was her maiden trip. Among the passengers are Colonel and Mrs. John Jacob Astor, Alfred G. Vanderbilt, Major Archibald Butt, military aide to President Taft; F. D. Millet, the artist; Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Strauss, J. G. Widener of Philadelphia, President Hayes of the Grand Trunk railway, J. B. Bruce Ismay, managing director of the White Star line; W. T. Stead and others. The liner carried 1,400 passengers and a crew of 800.

Steamers Standing By.

Another liner, the Parisian, of the Allan company, which sailed from Glasgow for Halifax on April 6, is already close at hand and assisting in the work of rescue. The Baltic and Virginian also are near the scene and the Olympic apparently is near at hand, as the wireless information concerning the transfer comes from Captain Haddock of the Olympic.

The accident occurred at 10:25 last night, about 400 miles south of Cape Race, N. F., and about 1,100 miles east of New York.

Message by Wireless.

A wireless message from the Titanic, received shortly after midnight, announced the liner had struck an iceberg off the banks of New Foundland and was in a sinking condition. Transfer of the passengers to the lifeboats began at once. The accident occurred at 10:25 o'clock last night. Two hours later the ship's wireless apparatus, which had been working so badly as to permit only intermittent and fragmentary messages, failed completely.

The last words sent by the operator told that the vessel was apparently doomed, "Sinking by the head quick," and that the women passengers were being rushed into the lifeboats. A reassuring feature was that the weather was calm and clear and help only a few hours away.

First Message to Virginian.

The Titanic's first S. O. S. message was received by the Allan line Virginian (Continued on Page Five.)

NEAR RIOT IN CHICAGO

DEMOCRATIC FACTIONS ON POINT OF FIGHT WHEN CONVENTION OF COOK COUNTY WAS OPENED.

Hearst-Harrison Forces Enter Building After Doors of Seventh Regiment Armory Were Broken Down—Factions Facing Each Other Armed With Court Order and Each Backed by Deputies and Police.

Chicago, Ill., April 15.—Though riot and bloodshed still are feared at today's Cook county democratic convention, the Hearst-Harrison faction won the first victory peaceably enough, when, after the doors of the Seventh regiment armory had been broken down, at orders from County Judge Owens, the "H-H" delegates filed into the armory while state troops made no resistance.

Until the arrival of Judge Owens the two factions faced each other outside the building, each armed with a court order and backed by men at arms. The Hearst-Harrison forces depended on an order from Judge Owens directing that Election Commissioner Czarnecki, a republican, preside as temporary chairman.

Refused Admittance.

When Czarnecki reached the armory, however, backed by 250 bluecoats and 100 deputy sheriffs, to open the convention, he was refused admittance by Captain Octigan of the Seventh regiment. Captain Octigan explained that as custodian of state property in the building, he would permit no one to enter the building except those authorized by John McGillen, lessee of the building, as county chairman of the democratic convention. The Hearst-Harrison faction at a nearby hall selected temporary officers and marched to the armory and waited developments outside.

Court Orders Ignored.

The Sullivan forces have behind them an injunction from Superior Judge McKinley restraining the police, the election commission and the sheriff from interfering with the convention. Each faction ignored the court order of the other and several times clashes between troops inside the building and the police seemed imminent.

Three hours delay was experienced today in calling the democratic county convention and the disturbance which for a time threatened to end in bloodshed finally resulted in two conventions, one faction known as the Hearst-Harrison forces and the other the followers of Roger C. Sullivan, national democratic committeeman.

Roll Called by Republican.

The victory, if there was a victory, went to the Hearst-Harrison faction, who, with the aid of the police and reinforced by the direct orders of County Judge Owens, battered down the doors of the Seventh regiment armory, in spite of the refusal of militiamen to open them, and took their seats. The roll of delegates was called by Election Commissioner Czarnecki, a republican, on the orders of County Judge Owens, and lists of delegates to the state convention were prepared for approval of the delegates in the hall.

Under the leadership of John McGillen, chairman of the Cook county democratic central committee, the Sullivan delegates to the convention went to another hall to hold their convention. With two sets of delegates elected to the state convention at Peoria April 19, the convention there will be obliged to decide which faction is rightfully seated. After the police entered the armory, Captain Octigan was arrested and taken to Judge Owens' chambers.

W. C. T. LECTURER GIVES

SPLENDID ADDRESS.
Mrs. Kuhl, the W. C. T. U. lecturer, delivered an excellent sermon at the Baptist church at 11 o'clock yesterday and one of the best temperance talks ever heard here, at the Methodist church in the evening, her subject being "The World's Problem." This afternoon she held a temperance institute at the Methodist church which was quite well attended.