

Washington

Charging that postoffice officials had rifled his mail while he was conducting an inquiry into the treatment accorded railway postal clerks and other employees of the post office department, Senator La Follette created a sensation in the Senate while the postoffice appropriation bill was under consideration.

Representative Theron E. Catlin of Missouri, Republican, was unseated as a member of the house of representatives and his Democratic opponent, who contested the election, Patrick F. Gill, was seated. The charge against Mr. Catlin was that he and his family had spent \$10,000 to elect a Democratic member from the Missouri law prohibited an expenditure by candidates of more than \$602.

Commissioner Danvers of the pension bureau is receiving hundreds of appeals from old soldiers for their pension checks. To as many as possible the commissioner is directing that congress has appropriated no money as yet. It will be before it again.

Constitutional amendment to provide one six-year term for the president and vice-president will be pushed for consideration in the senate at Washington.

Prospecty spelled with a large "P" is rolling in from the garden and fields of the west, heralding big business for the merchant, the manufacturer and the contractor of the country over.

The Panama canal administration bill, providing free passage to American vessels, is the U. S. senate, and authorizing the establishment of a one-man government when the canal is completed, was passed by the U. S. senate by a vote of 47 to 15.

President Taft vetoed the wool bill—the famous schedule K—on the ground that it would deprive the wool grower of his wool.

Washington society, as well as the legal profession, are holding a movement on foot to raise a \$40,000 fund for the widow and daughters of the late Associate Justice John M. Harlan.

Secretary of War Stimson will have full power to authorize Chicago to obtain the necessary permits for utilizing the lake front if the senate approved an amendment to the general appropriation bill passed by the house.

More than \$3,000,000 damage was done to crops in the south last month by the army of locusts, according to official estimates of the United States department of agriculture.

Patigued by his campaign of nearly a year to make Wilson the Democratic presidential nominee and attacked by the conservative press, Chairman William F. McComb of the Democratic national committee was compelled to take to his bed in New York City.

The National Archery Association met in Boston for four days of contests for medals, trophies and special prizes.

The body of Carlos Wilcox, pioneer and second postmaster of Minneapolis, arrived in St. Paul yesterday, he died suddenly July 9.

New came from Vienna that the University of Lemberg, Austria, had conferred an honorary degree on Prof. Henry Aretowak, chief of the seepage division of the New York public library.

Julius Rosenwald, head of a large mail order house at Chicago, celebrated his 50th birthday with a party at his home in Chicago, where he received gifts to charity and education, totaling \$87,500.

Special Session

LAWSINK THINKS GOVERNOR MAY TRY TO TAKE FAVORITE MEASURES BEFORE RETIRING.

IS STILL AFTER THE MICHIGAN BONDING COMPANY.

Has Not Laid Down on Fight—Wants Legislation Along Line of Corporate Excess System.

There is some talk in Lansing of another special session of the legislature. It is based on the fact that Governor Osborn is no longer a candidate for office and that he wishes to put through a few of his favorite measures.

During the summer the governor has been visiting the several state institutions and matters connected with them are believed to be on the schedule. He has insisted upon several occasions that the expense of maintenance can be decreased by improvements in the methods of purchasing, and has indicated the idea of a central purchasing board.

With all the confusion and fuss over the political situation it is conceded that the session will stir up things. No one is willing to be quarrelsome with the governor, but many of the governor's attacks and it is possible, but for that matter, they were saying the same thing more or less frequently a while ago.

State Political Program. Sept. 21—Socialists state convention scheduled to be held in Lansing.

Sept. 22—Prohibition state convention scheduled to be held in Lansing.

Sept. 26—Democratic state convention will be held at the Grand Hotel. Oct. 1—Bill Moose (National party) convention will be held in Lansing.

Republican county conventions in all counties have not been announced for the county conventions of the prohibitionists, Socialists or Bill Moose.

Farmer Killed in a Domestic Row. Norman Brazee, 40, of Jackson, farmer, was shot and killed in the home of Andrew Smith, a foreigner.

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Thomas R. Marshall

Governor of Indiana and Democratic candidate for the vice-presidency.

Townsend Urges Raise for Mailmen. Declaring himself in favor of increasing the maximum salary for rural delivery carriers from \$1,000 to \$1,200 a year, Senator Townsend in North Dakota proposed that a minimum salary of \$90 be established for the shortest route.

Adjustment of Congress Predicted. Majority Leader Underwood of the house predicts an adjustment of congress this week, unless President Taft vetoes the tariff bill.

FLASHES FROM WIRE. The Michigan State Humane Association will hold its annual meeting in Traverse City.

Frank Schalk, 30, an electrician, was recently killed in the Grand Hotel tunnel near Sarnia. He was working on an electric motor when he received a charge, and was thrown against the wall. His neck was broken.

William Bruce McMaster, American vice-consul at Cartagena, Colombia, was shot and killed. Dispatches to the state department report that it was an accident or an assault.

A \$300,000 baby was born at the Astor mansion, 840 Fifth avenue, New York, at 8:15 a. m. It is a boy, and will bear the name of his father, John Jacob Astor, who went down with the Titanic in the greatest maritime disaster of modern times.

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Princess Mohamed Ali Pasha, brother of the khedive of Egypt, has arrived at Newport, R. I., and will be the guest of the summer colony for the next month.

Thirty-six soldiers and more than twenty passengers were slaughtered by Zapalistas in a canyon 110 miles west of Mexico City, when a passenger train southbound was attacked from ambush.

An explosion of black damp and coal dust in the Lorraine shaft and coal fields in the village of Gerthe, four miles from Bochum, Germany, cost the lives of 103 men, and 100 others were severely and 23 slightly injured.

In an explosion in which 25 were killed and 400 persons were injured, destroyed the palace at Port au Prince, Haiti, 400 persons were killed or injured.

The tax rate will remain practically stationary at \$16.40 per \$1,000.

Real Estate Exchange. Of Whitehead & Mitchell. Exchange Bank, Birmingham, Mich. The following is a partial list of Farms, City and Village Lots, and Real Estate generally which we have for sale. As our list is constantly changing, we request that parties will write us if they do not see what they want in this list.

- 241 The new home with all modern conveniences, within 200 feet of the city... 242 Let 4 in Black Campbell's Subdivision... 243 Nice eight-room house, built last year... 244 Without exception, the finest farm for stock raising or high-class farming... 245 House, barn, water, shop, blacksmith shop, two lumber sheds... 246 One of the finest lots on the Buell Addition... 247 New brick house, two blocks from electric, bath, closet, furnace, city water... 248 A cozy, convenient home which cost only to build the house and it is in the heart of the business locality... 249 Excellent business chance in a small town... 250 Fine farm of 85 acres in the midst of the Bloomfield Hills... 251 If you are looking for here it is! One travel road, 160 acres... 252 Ninety-two acres a mile east of the electric... 253 Will exchange for small farm near Birmingham... 254 Twenty-five acres, 15 miles from Birmingham... 255 Forty acres just outside of the corporate limits of Birmingham... 256 A classic among the farms, 164 acres half a mile from Birmingham... 257 Forty-two acres about half a mile from the city... 258 Ideal little place for a country home and one for the city... 259 Three lots, 120 ft. frontage by 100 ft. deep... 260 New brick ten-room house, toilet, bath, electric, gas, water, city water... 261 Yes! Here's the chicken farm you have been looking after... 262 Three lots, 120 ft. frontage by 100 ft. deep... 263 Lake property, cottage and barn; 25-foot lake front; 150 feet deep; back and lot of 80 feet wide; \$1,200 cash will buy it or will exchange for Birmingham Village Improved.

OUR ADVERTISING COLUMNS. Are read by the people because it gives them news of absorbing interest. People no longer go looking for news; they find it. They go to their newspaper for information as to where something may be found. This means saves time and trouble. If you want to bring your wares to the attention of this community, our advertising columns.

Should Contain Your Ad. If Mrs. Jones buys her coffee as Smith's each week— If the coffee in your store is better than Smith's and cheaper— Why, TELL MRS. JONES! Don't dash wildly across the street to tell her, though; she'd laugh at you. Insert a sane, forceful advertisement in this paper about your coffee.

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THE VALUE of well-printed, neat-appearing stationery as a means of getting and holding desirable business has been amply demonstrated. Consult us before going elsewhere.

THE HIGH COST OF LIVING. Yes! Here's the chicken farm you have been looking after. Seven and eight acres, with 100 chickens, 100 ducks, 100 geese, 100 turkeys, 100 pigs, 100 cows, 100 horses, 100 sheep, 100 goats, 100 cats, 100 dogs, 100 birds, 100 fish, 100 insects, 100 reptiles, 100 amphibians, 100 mammals, 100 birds, 100 fish, 100 insects, 100 reptiles, 100 amphibians, 100 mammals.

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