

# TORRID WAVE BRINGS DEATH

Washington, D. C., July 19.—There will be no material relief from the present high temperature throughout the country for three or four days, according to the weather bureau.

There were six prostrations from the heat here yesterday, but none of the cases proved fatal.

The official thermometer here registered 96 degrees, and marked the hottest temperature of the year.

**THE HOTTEST DAY.**  
New York, July 19.—An area of oppressive heat that brings to mind with unpleasant vividness the record breaking summer of 1901, has settled down over the eastern and New England states, already numbering hundreds among its victims and causing indescribable suffering to thousands in the cities.

From all points last night came the story of the hottest summer day attended with frequent prostrations and not a few deaths. Philadelphia reported a maximum temperature of 98.3, the highest figure officially noted. In this city the weather bureau's highest mark was 96, while in Boston where the sun's rays are known to be tempered by an east breeze a temperature of 94 was recorded.

The official thermometers located in exposed places above the street did not, however, indicate the temperature which the ordinary mortal moved, and many street thermometers indicated a temperature of 100 or higher, some reliable instruments registering 103 and 105.

Following are the maximum temperatures officially recorded in the larger cities with the known cases of prostration and deaths:

City	Temp.	Prostr.	Deaths
New York	96	187	23
Philadelphia	98.3	50	5
Baltimore	97.3	5	
Washington	95	6	
Boston	94	4	1
Pittsburg	93	26	13
Chicago	95	17	4
Buffalo	78	2	1

The above figures by no means represent the sum of human suffering as an endless number of victims who collapsed at home, in the office or work shop were privately attended to. Last night no relief was in sight and the roll of fatalities must be necessarily increased by many who have thus far withstood the ordeal of the intense heat.

In New York the suffering was intense, especially in the crowded tenement buildings where scarcely a breath of air relieved the stifling atmosphere. Thousands who could afford the holiday fled to the beaches, but even in the consequent crowds women and children fainted and men were overcome, making the trip from home a doubtful experiment, so far as receiving any comfort was concerned. Early in the morning the mercury stood at 80 and rose until the maximum of 96 was reached at 4 o'clock.

It was a busy day for the hospitals and the ambulances were continuously on the street.

To add to the unavoidable physical suffering, Brooklyn was threatened with a water famine, while the whole city was startled by the prospect of a strike of the ice men. The water supply at Brooklyn was reported as nearing the danger point and the water department took immediate precautions, asking that street sprinkling be temporarily suspended, and warning households to be extremely economical in the use of water. A few ice wagon drivers stopped work, but deliveries continued. There was some anxiety as to what today might bring forth in the trouble of the ice men.

Thousands of others, too exhausted to reach the recreation grounds, slept upon the pavements in front of their homes.

## MUSCATINE, IOWA.

Muscatine, Ia., July 19.—The heat in this city yesterday was the worst of the summer. John Wagner, an aged resident, was stricken while working in the yard at his home, but his condition is not critical. Piffin Setzer, an employee in a lumber yard of the South Muscatine Lumber company, was prostrated while at work. His condition is serious.

If the heat continues, several lumber yards will lay off men until the hot spell is over.

## OMAHA, NEBRASKA.

Omaha, Ne., July 19.—Extreme heat continued over Nebraska yesterday, with an increasing humidity. There was a steady rise in the temperature during the day, the maximum being reached late in the afternoon. Although there was much suffering from the heat, no prostrations were reported.

## DIES FROM HEAT.

Lincoln, Neb., July 19.—Mrs. J. B. Pickrel died as a result of the heat yesterday. Her husband went to his home with a railroad ticket which his wife was to use in traveling to a cooler place and found her dead.

## NINETY-SIX DEGREES.

Madison, Wis., July 19.—All records for continuous heat here have been broken. During the past three days the mercury has risen above 96 daily.

## AT DES MOINES.

Des Moines, July 19.—Things fairly sizzled all over the city yesterday, but three continuous days of life in an open air engine room have taken the novelty away from it and people are beginning to be accustomed to the scorching heat which called forth such unsavory comment when it first began. The time worn question of "Well, is this hot enough for you?" has given place to a simple look of pain and the mopping of brows with a handkerchief resembling a dishrag.

While reports from all parts of the country are telling of deaths and prostrations, Des Moines has had its share. One death directly attributable to the sun's brain destroying rays has been recorded, and two more were more or less aided by the heat, while prostrations have been numerous.

## TODAY'S DEATHS

[By Associated Press.]  
New York, July 19.—Before 7 a. m. today five fatalities due to the intense heat had been reported from the tenement house districts. Two victims fell from windows where they were sleeping. In Brooklyn a heat-crazed

# MOTHER PLUNGED A CARVING KNIFE INTO HER SLEEPING INFANT, KILLING IT INSTANTLY AND MADE AN UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT TO KILL HERSELF. REPORTS FROM THROUGHOUT THE EASTERN AND MIDDLE STATES SHOW A CONTINUATION OF THE EXCESSIVE HEAT WAVE.

Seventeen deaths were reported for New York during the forenoon. The temperature is 91.

## RELIEF MAY COME FRIDAY.

Washington, D. C., July 19.—The heated term continues with little or no abatement in any quarter. Along the lower lakes, in Iowa, northern Illinois and southern Wisconsin, there have been a few early morning thunderstorms, but the temperature has not been materially lowered except in Iowa and southern Minnesota. The greatest intensity of the heat wave centers in the Ohio valley and north portion of the middle Atlantic states. It is probable the prevailing high temperature will be interrupted by Friday.

**IN CONNECTICUT.**  
New Haven, Conn., July 19.—Three deaths and eight cases of prostration from heat are reported in Connecticut for the twenty-four hours up to today.

**HICKS EXPLAINS IT.**  
St. Louis, July 19.—A gigantic double spot has appeared on the face of the sun. It will be visible through smoked glasses for six days and possibly longer. Local weather and temperature conditions may be affected, according to Rev. Ira R. Hicks. He says conditions resulting from the sun spot have caused the extreme heat on both sides of the North American continent. Rev. Hicks says the sun spot now visible is one of the three largest on record.

"When I first saw the huge depression in the sun's surface it was on what we call the east limb of the sun," said Mr. Hicks. "It is moving westward over the sun's surface. The sun is 864,000 miles in diameter. This double spot is about 475,000 miles in area and can be seen just how big it is. I predicted ten months ago that hot weather would be the lot of St. Louis in the last of July. I calculated on the sun spot when I made that announcement."

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**NINE DEATHS IN CHICAGO.**  
Chicago, July 19.—Nine deaths of adults were reported up to 2 o'clock today, due to the excessive heat.

**MANY DIED AT CLEVELAND.**  
Cleveland, O., July 19.—Three prostrations and one death, due directly to heat, and the deaths of thirty-three children attributable to heat and improper sanitary conditions, were reported during the past twenty-four hours.

**ONE DEATH AT DETROIT.**  
Detroit, July 19.—There has been one death from heat today.

**RELIEF IN NEW YORK.**  
New York, July 19.—This afternoon a heavy rain storm, accompanied by high wind, broke over the city. The temperature is falling rapidly.

## BOOKKEEPER RARRESTED.

The Paris, Ill., Bank Explosion Mystery Cleared Up.

Paris, Ill., July 19.—The arrest of Bookkeeper W. W. Juntenge on a federal warrant charging the embezzlement of \$7,500 of the Edgar County bank's funds, has strengthened the belief that it was he who blew up the building a few weeks ago, presumably to destroy evidences of his defalcations.

The arrest was made as Juntenge was accompanying his wife to a train on which she departed for Oklahoma City. He gave bond in the sum of \$10,000 for his appearance.

The complaint for the warrant was filed by District Attorney William E. Trautman and charges the abstraction of the bank funds by means of false entries in the books, Juntenge having been in charge of the foreign correspondence ledger.

President Parrish says the investigation just completed has shown all the books to be in perfect condition. The correspondence ledger was partly destroyed by the explosion, but the missing portions were supplied from the original entry slips kept on file by the bank.

They show discrepancies in the foreign accounts to the amount named in the complaint.

**BROTHER IS DROWNED.**  
Mrs. Thos. Hileman of this city, yesterday received a message from Durango, Colo., stating that her brother, Melzer Robbins, had been drowned. No particulars have been received of the tragedy further than a later message stating that up to last night the remains had not been recovered.

Mrs. Hileman expects to leave for Colorado tomorrow morning, accompanied by Mrs. Turner of Lake Mills, Iowa, another sister of Mr. Robbins. They have wired the authorities to hold the remains, if found, until their arrival.

**Blackmar's Body.**  
Chicago, Ill., July 19.—The body of Gen. Wm. Blackmar, commander in chief of the G. A. R. who died in Boise, Idaho county, Idaho, on Sunday, will be brought to Chicago tomorrow on the way to Boston, where the burial will take place. At 2 o'clock today a meeting of Chicago G. A. R. leaders will be held in Memorial hall in the public library building for the purpose of arranging to have the body lie in state in the hall for a few hours. The exact time of the arrival of the funeral party will not be known until noon today.

**TAKES THE REINS.**  
Charles Edward of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha Attains Majority.

[By Associated Press.]  
Gotha, July 19.—Duke Charles Edward of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha assumed the reins of government today on attaining his majority.

**Funston Fined.**  
Iola, Kas., July 19.—E. H. Funston, former congressman from this district, was today found guilty of disturbing the peace and carrying concealed weapons. He was fined ten dollars and costs.

**Only Two Injured.**  
Lynchburg, Va., July 19.—An excursion train composed of eight well-filled cars and a baggage car, on which 400 persons were returning to Richmond and Norfolk from a day's outing in Roanoke, was wrecked yesterday afternoon at Prospect, four miles east of Lynchburg.

The baggage car and four coaches left the track while running thirty miles an hour. Two unfortunates sustained slight injuries. The accident was due, it was said, to repairs being made to the track.

John Dowling and S. T. Mears will join a gig fishing party at LaPorte this evening.

# GRADUATED IN THE GROVE

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

The most unique graduating exercises ever held by a school in this state were those held yesterday by the Waterloo Business college, when the class occupied seats on the platform of the Chautauque assembly, and the strongest program of the assembly was enjoyed by the graduates.

President Harvey has always endeavored to secure something new and attractive for these annual commencement occasions, but the occasion this year eclipsed them all in so far as success, enjoyment and interest are concerned.

In the early afternoon there was an exhibit of the actual work of the school room. Tables and desks and typewriters had been conveyed to the park and placed upon the platform. The graduates were seated at these tables and performed drill work in penmanship, demonstrated touch typewriting and speed work in shorthand, while the public were taken off their feet by the rapidity of the rapid calculation drill, conducted by Prof. C. W. Weatherly.

A great many people could not believe that the work could be so quickly done, preferring to incline to the more reasonable theory that the problems were cut-and-dried, with answers in their possession beforehand. It was the intention of President Harvey to have some business men present to give these problems, but did not have the time. The work was honestly done and while the speed there was almost unbelievable, the record at school has been much better than that shown in public.

The class listened to the address of Governor LaFollette with unfeigned interest and afterwards they enjoyed a picnic supper in the woods.

At 7:30 in the amphitheatre Dr. W. F. Crafts of Washington, D. C. gave an address to the class upon the theme "That Boy and Girl of Mine." The eminent worker for civic righteousness all over the world, for Dr. Crafts is connected with the national reform bureau, talked for an even hour, giving many helpful suggestions to the young men and the young women just starting out in life. His address was sandwiched with apt stories, all pointing a helpful moral.

Following this President Harvey presented diplomas to the class which was composed of the following:

**SHORTHAND DEPARTMENT.**  
Althouse, Clara M., employed at Logan house.

Bellingham, Walter A., Iowa Dairy Separator Co.

Collins, Olive G., Highland Nobles, Federalist, Frank, W. C. F. & N. R. R.

Kolp, Bertha M., Wm. Calloway Co. Law, Cora M., Bank of Hannah, N. D.

McSweeney, Raymond J., Kemp Mfg. Co.

Selzer, Rose L., Litchfield Mfg. Co. Somberger, Edith L., W. C. F. & N. R. R.

Stanley, Carl, Smith, Lichty & Hillman.

Wilhelm, Helene W., Kemp Mfg. Co. **COMMERCIAL DEPARTMENT.**  
Aldrich, C. Raymond, Waterloo Steam Laundry.

Bolte, Louis W., W. C. F. & N. R. R. Busching, Edward H., in school.

Daniels, Laura E., Kramer & Bachtel. Daniels, Mamie A., Waterloo Carriage factory.

Roberts, Pearl N., Corn Belt Telephone Co.

Whannel, John H., First National bank.

**NORMAL DEPARTMENT.**  
Fay, Ethel P., teaching in Emmet county.

**ALUMNI BANQUET.**

It was pretty late in the evening before the present and the former graduates could get over the water and through the mud to Sans Souci hotel where the annual banquet was served. Despite the stormy evening and the untoward conditions nearly fifty sat down to the feast of good things. A program of toasts had been arranged as follows: E. L. Hildebrand acting as toastmaster:

The Alumni—May Foote.  
Our New Members—Chas. McWilliams.

The Gentlemen—Mrs. Ida Musser.  
The Ladies—Hon. W. E. Hanger.  
Our Absent Members—Mary S. Hornor.

Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow—A. F. Harvey.

## NORWAY TURNS TO AMERICA

Chicago, July 19.—The Daily News says that the independent Norwegian government is prepared to ask official recognition from the United States, and that special envoys have been in this country for some time, looking over the ground as private citizens, prior to the assumption of the diplomatic powers with which they have been invested, developed today with the return from New York of P. Hermann Gade, mayor of Lake Forest, Ill. Mr. Gade is an active worker for an international status for Norway. He has been in New York for the last ten days in conference with J. Irgens, a special Norwegian envoy, who a few years ago was secretary of the Norwegian-Swedish commission that treated and dealt with the consular question. The conference included Christian Hauge, who, up to the time of his resignation a month ago, was the charge d'affaires and secretary of the Norwegian-Swedish legation at Washington.

After consultations with such eminent international authorities as Professor Moore of Columbia university and John W. Foster, an informal document was drawn up for presentation to the state department to serve as a "feeler" for the official document which may be expected to follow.

The communication which has been prepared and is to be presented in the name of Mr. Hauge as a private citizen, asks some pertinent questions of the state department, as follows:

"Will the United States government officially receive diplomatic envoys and recognize consuls appointed by the Norwegian government?"

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# DECLINED TO PERMIT ITS CONSULAR OFFICIALS IN DIFFERENT COUNTRIES TO TAKE CHARGE OF INTERESTS OF NORWEGIAN CITIZENS THERE. MAY REQUIRE ATTENTION UNTIL SUCH CONSULS CAN BE APPOINTED AND SENT TO SUCH COUNTRIES BY THE NORWEGIAN GOVERNMENT?

**CONDITIONS STATED.**

In connection with these questions the following statements are made among others:

"The recent events in Norway have in no wise created any new state or sovereignty, or has there been any splitting up of or separating from any sovereignty."

"The king's household, including all the officials thereof, has been separate and distinct in each country. Still more significant, perhaps, is the fact that the tariff systems of the two countries have been entirely different—one being practically free trade, and the other protection, that there has been no tariff reciprocity between the two countries, and even that goods from one country were subject to full duty in entering the other."

"By virtue of its separate sovereignty Norway has, entirely by itself, independent of, and unjoined by Sweden, concluded numerous commercial treaties with foreign nations."

"It will further be seen that the form of government has by the recent events undergone no change, but remains a kingdom, and a constitutional monarchy. There neither has been, or is there a question of altering the constitution of the country, except only as such refers to the union with Sweden."

"Recognition will be asked from the United States first," explained Mayor Gade today, "because of the stand which this country has already taken in international questions of this kind, and also because of the present prestige of the United States in international diplomatic circles."

"We were assured by the authorities on international law, with whom we consulted in the east, and have not the slightest doubt, ourselves of the right to recognition."

**HARVEST HANDS SCARCE.**  
Farmers of Iowa Having Difficulty in Getting Help.

Des Moines, Iowa, July 19.—The state of Iowa is about to start her harvest hands as the comic papers have made out that Kansas has been in former years. At least there are but few who will leave the state to do the work in fields of other states. The state labor commissioner has sent out only about two score men so far. It is impossible to secure any more. Of course if the state bureau were equipped as those of other states are, to do the work systematically, and to investigate the labor situation from the ground up, it would be easy to secure a larger number, but the report from the farmers is to the effect that they find difficulty in getting workers.

An effort will be made in the coming session of the legislature to broaden the duties of the labor commissioner's office so as to make it a general bureau for the state, such situations as exist during the harvest season of the west. Without information from the men who would like to work in the harvest fields of the west and who live in Iowa, and depending on a general knowledge of the labor situation in the labor offices of Kansas, Nebraska and Missouri.

But the reports from the farming sections of the state are to the effect that the falling state in the rural population has made it much more difficult this year to secure labor than it was last year, and it has been growing harder year by year. The same thing is true as to the tenants. The tenant stock of the state, being north, northwest, west, and southwest to get cheaper land of their own rather than work for others.

**EDITOR A HERO.**  
Muse, of Mason City, Lays Claim to Carnegie Medal.

Mason City, Iowa, July 19.—Albert Smith, a young farm hand, who works on the Gold farm, some three miles north of this city, had a narrow escape from drowning yesterday while bathing at Clear Lake. With his brother, Henry Smith, who is porter at the Wilson hotel, and a party of other young men, they were bathing near the north shore. After about an hour and a half in the water, young Smith proposed to his comrades that he would swim to the yacht of C. H. Hildebrand, lying farther out into the water. He acted on his proposal and with a few feet of the boat he became exhausted. His cries started the cottagers along the beach, and W. F. Muse, editor of the Globe-Gazette, and Matt Hegard, a traveling man, rushed to a boat lying on the shore. Mr. Hegard was prevented from getting into the boat by becoming entangled in the anchor chains, but had the presence of mind to give the craft a push, which hastened the rescue.

Young Smith had gone down the shore when he was rescued by Mr. Muse throwing him an oar, which he grasped, and was then pulled to the boat and back into the shallower water. Mr. Muse states himself a candidate for the Carnegie medal.

**MANY IOWANS DROWNED.**  
Victims at Gladbrook, Correctionville and Elkader Yesterday.

Gladbrook, Iowa, July 19.—Bert Kessey, aged seven years, and Willie Noble, aged six years, were drowned in Wolfe creek, near Getthman's dam, when they were playing in the water. Their families are prominent here. Both bodies were recovered.

Elkader, Iowa, July 19.—Harry Cornish was drowned at McGregor Monday. He had been horseback riding in the Mississippi river, and the horse he was riding turned over, sending him to the bottom. He did not come to the surface again, and was evidently kicked during the struggles of the horse. It took thirteen hours, within thirty minutes, but all attempts at resuscitation were vain. He was 24 years old.

Correctionville, Iowa, July 19.—A double funeral will be held in Correctionville today. Ben Basil Shortz, aged thirteen years, will be buried. They were swimming in the Little Sioux river and the Shortz boy tried to swim to the other shore. A smaller companion witnessed the double drowning and gave the alarm.

**Grief Causes Suicide.**  
Onawa, Iowa, July 19.—Henry Ehrlich, a German farmer living in Kenyon, Iowa, committed suicide Monday by hanging himself from the ridge pole of a hay stack near his house while in a demented condition over the death of his son, aged about seven years, who was drowned in the Maple river Sunday afternoon in bathing some distance from home. The body of the boy was not found until Tuesday, although diligent search was made for it.

Ehrlich took the death of his son

# MYSTERY GETS SENSATIONAL

Colfax, Iowa, July 19.—The Knoxville bloodhounds were secretly brought here on Monday by the sheriff of Jasper county, and after a few minutes succeeded in getting a scent, striking a trail and went directly to the Blanford home, about half a mile distant from that of the Slaughters. It seems that the Slaughters were not in Blanford, a relative of attempting to shoot Mel Slaughtor, but upon the arrival of the sheriff and the dogs at the Blanford home it is reported that the Blanford had been in the house, but there and on this no effort was made to search the house, though it is known that Charles has been in the community for several days.

Blanford's attorney, Cragan was consulted yesterday afternoon and stated that there is something mysterious about the case, and he is not willing to admit that he believes Slaughtor is trying to deceive the people by acts of cowardice, but some person is after him. As to whether or not he believes Blanford guilty he would not commit himself.

**TROUBLE OVER ESTATE.**  
Blanford, Iowa, July 19.—The estate of the late Mrs. M. J. Slaughtor was the subject of a lawsuit yesterday afternoon and evening, and a sympathizer of the Slaughters, has received anonymous letters in which suggestions were made that could lead to the estate being made use of if the child's suit mixing in the case. City Marshal E. E. Kendig of this place has also received an anonymous letter in which similar statements were made.

**DEAD FROM WOUNDS.**  
Iowa City, Iowa, July 19.—Ernest Danner, who was shot Sunday night by "Billy" Jones, died yesterday at the Homeopathic hospital. He had been a delirious part of the time since he was injured, and it became evident Monday that he could not recover. Mrs. Jones, the other victim, is in a precarious condition, but may recover. A warrant was sworn out yesterday morning for Garthel Jones, cousin of the murderer, who was present at the shooting. He is charged with assault with intent to commit murder. The information was filed by F. M. Danner, father of the victim. Garthel Jones was arrested and held in the jail. Squire Barber, where his father gave bonds for \$1,000, and he was released pending the preliminary hearing Monday.

**Buys Agricultural Paper.**  
Sioux City, Iowa, July 19.—H. G. McMillan of Cedar Rapids, United States attorney for the northern district, has bought the "Farmers' Tribune" and will become its editor. E. E. Paville, who has been editor, will go to Des Moines to take charge of Successful Farming. Mr. McMillan purchased the shares belonging to E. T. Meredith of Des Moines.

**Sioux City's New Hotel.**  
Sioux City, Iowa, July 19.—The contract was let to J. J. Keefe for the construction of a new hotel west at Third and Nebraska streets. It will cost \$100,000. Since the fire which destroyed the old West, Sioux City has felt the need of another first-class hotel. Frank Donahoe will be the landlord.

**PENSION DECISIONS.**  
By the Assistant Secretary of the Department of the Interior.

**Service-Mexican War.**—The records of the War department show that this soldier's service was less than sixty days during the war with Mexico, and that neither he nor his regiment was ever in Mexico, or on the coasts or frontier thereof, or enroute thereto. He was erroneously pensioned, and is not entitled to restoration.

**Line of Duty.**—Claimant, after being relieved from guard duty, assisted a teamster in watering mules. He was not disobeying orders, his act was not in violation of army regulations, but was adding a comrade in caring for and protecting government property, and was doing something which he not only had a right to do, but said act was commendable, and resulted, if his allegations are true, in his being fired upon by the enemy and injured, and he was in line of duty.

**Field.**—His disability thus incurred is pensionable.

**Marriage in Mississippi.**—Impediment of blood.—Evidence secured by special examination shows that soldier was a white man and claimant is a negro. The intermarriage of the races being prohibited by the laws of Mississippi, in which state the parties resided, their cohabitation could not be regarded as a legal marriage, but was mere concubinage, and claimant is not the lawful widow of the soldier, nor entitled to pension as such.

**Insane or helpless minor.**—Act of June 27, 1890.—A claimant for pension under the first provision of section 3, act of June 27, 1890, as a helpless minor, who was over the age of 16 years at the date of the soldier's death, has no pensionable status.

**Death Cause—Misuse of a Dangerous Drug.**—Death from the accidental misuse of a dangerous drug prescribed for a disease or injury of service origin will not confer title on the widow of the deceased, unless it be clearly shown that said disease or injury, in dependent of the misuse of the drug, was a direct contributing factor in the death cause, or that death was inevitable and was merely hastened by the misuse of the drug.

**SHAW PICKS PERKINS.**  
Chances for Sioux City Man Look Good to Leslie M.

Des Moines, July 19.—"It looks as if George D. Perkins of Sioux City would win the nomination for governor in a walk," was the declaration of Secretary Leslie M. Shaw in an interview with The Register and Leader correspondent, Dubuque yesterday. Secretary Shaw came to town early ostensibly to buy Colonel Wade's team of beautiful blacks, which captured the eye of Colonel Bryan a few weeks ago. Colonel Wade asked \$200 more than the treasury appropriation permits, so Secretary Shaw will leave town without them.

Mr. Shaw spent the entire day yesterday in conference with local Republican leaders and had an informal reception to which Major W. H. Dye extended invitations.

Secretary Shaw would not discuss the Iowa political situation farther than in the measure quoted. "I have no opinion as to anything," he said at the conclusion of the interview, "that Secretary Wilson will not resign and that he is the best secretary of agriculture that we ever had and that the recent leak does not reflect on him in the least."

**Bennett Will Case.**  
New Haven, Conn., July 19.—A hearing was held in the probate court yesterday on the acceptance of the account of William J. Bryan as executor of the estate of the late Philo S. Bennett. M. Wickwire, counsel for Mrs. Della Bigelow and George W. Bennett, attorneys for the executor, made statement of his formal objections to certain items in the account. These items include the transfer tax of \$5,500 and charges made by attorneys. It was claimed that Mr. Bryan settled the estate promptly, and was resorting to litigation, the tax would not have been so large. On the other hand, Mr. Bryan's counsel declared that the estate was liable to a ten per cent. penalty, but he got that remitted, so that the estate may consider itself that much in.

**The Dixie Sails.**  
Gibraltar, July 19.—The United States auxiliary cruiser Dixie, having on board the instruments and materials for the observation station to be erected at Bona, Algeria, for the use of the American navy, will receive the battletide Ohio, flagship of the Atlantic fleet, commander of the sun port yesterday.

**Ohio Accepted.**  
Washington, D. C., July 19.—The navy department has accepted the battletide Ohio, flagship of the Atlantic fleet, commander of the sun port yesterday.

**Will Receive Forty Per Cent.**  
Manila, July 19.—The depositors of the American bank will receive forty per cent of their claims. The American bank was closed on May 18 last on an order given by Governor General Wright and its affairs were placed in charge of the insular auditor. The reason for the withholding of the privilege for reasons authorized by congress is not a violation of the constitution.

**REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.**  
[From Wednesday's Daily.]  
Clara Waterbury to Catharine Moncrief, lot in Waterloo, \$2,500.  
Mary E. Bady to Jason Loskerby, lots in Cedar City, \$300.  
A. F. Berry to O. B. Gates, lots in LaPorte City, \$3,025.

# CROPS INJURED BY RAIN STORM

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Crops in this section of the country suffered greatly from last night's heavy wind and rain. Oats, which are very heavy this year, were flattened to the ground and many fields of corn are badly down today, but it seems to be the general opinion of farmers that the corn fields will right themselves. In many instances, however, the oats fields are a total or almost a total loss, many being down to such an extent, particularly on heavy ground, that the harvesting of the crops will be impossible.

The storm has been a severe blow to farmers of Black Hawk and adjoining counties. The prospects for a large crop were never better and all indications pointed to a successful harvesting of the immense crop.

**REPORTS HEAVY LOSS.**  
Supervisor Pegles of LaPorte came up on the Rock Island passenger this morning, and he reports that between this city and LaPorte many of the oats fields have been flattened, and it looks as though it would be impossible to harvest them, especially on low and flat ground. The corn fields he also reports are badly beaten and blown by the storm, but he gives it as his opinion that this crop will not suffer materially from the effects of the storm.

**BRIDGES WASHED OUT.**  
A. L. Mericle, who lives just south of this city, reports that the bridge over the creek between his farm and that of Sam White was partially washed out by the flooding of the creek by the heavy rain last night. He says that the southeast approach of the bridge was completely demolished.