TODAY'S PRICES.
Pesos, 73c; Mexican gold, $50; nacionales, $36; bar silver, domestic 99½c, foreign 98c; copper, 19c; grain, higher; livestock, steady; stocks, dull.

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WEATHER FORECAST.
El Paso, cloudy; west Texas, cloudy, unsettled north portion; New Mexico, fair; Arizona, fair in south, local showers in north portion.

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KOREANS PLOT TO KIDNAP U. S. SOLONS

17,000,000 WOMEN WIN RIGHT TO BALLOT BY TENNESSEE VOTE

Federal Suffrage Amendment Is Ratified by 50 to 46 by Action of Lower House; Speaker Walker, Leader of Anti-Suffragists, Changes Vote From Nay to Aye So That Reconsideration Can Be Demanded.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Aug. 18.—Tennessee today became the 36th state to ratify the Susan B. Anthony federal suffrage amendment. The constitutional change thus will become effective in time for the 17,000,000 women of the country to vote in the presidential election in November, unless the lower house of the Tennessee assembly rescinds its action of today in adopting the ratification resolution, 49 to 47.

Speaker Walker, leader of the anti-suffragists, put opponents in a position to demand reconsideration by changing his vote from nay to aye and moving to reconsider. The house adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow, when the speaker's motion will have the right of way. Suffrage and anti-suffrage forces tightened their lines this afternoon for the final fight, and both sides were claiming victory.

Suffragists Have Advantage.

The suffragists, however, ha' the advantage of today's victory and expressed confidence that Speaker Walker's motion would be voted down tomorrow. The next step then would be the certifying of the action to the secretary of state of the United States, who would issue a proclamation declaring the amendment ratified.

The Tennessee senate ratified the amendment last Friday by a vote of 25 to 4.

Suffrage leaders declare they will not slacken their efforts, as they desire to have at least one other state ratify before the November elections, as they expect a fight to be made against Tennessee's action because of the clause in the state constitution which prohibits any assembly from acting on an amendment not submitted before the members were elected. Both United States solicitor general Frierson and the attorney general of Tennessee have declared this clause to be unconstitutional in the light of the recent decision of the supreme court in the Ohio referendum case.

The suffragists won the preliminary victory in the house today when a motion to table the ratification resolution was lost on a tie vote, 48 to 48. This would have put over action until 1921. Some of those keeping tally recorded the vote on this motion as 49 to 47 in favor, and first reports were that suffrage had lost. The official tally showed a tie, however, and to make assurance doubly sure, a second roll call was ordered. The vote again was recorded as 48 to 48, and the motion to table was declared lost.

The lineup of the Democrats and Republicans on the vote for ratification follows:

Democrats—Aye 25, no, 24; absent 1.
Republicans—Aye 23, no 12; absent 2.

End of Intensive Drive.

Ratification by the Tennessee legislature was the culmination of an intensive drive made by suffrage proponents to have the amendment made effective in time for the women of the country to vote in the presidential election in November. The drive was started when West Virginia became the 34th state to ratify early this year.

Washington was the 35th to ratify and on the same day it acted—March 22—Gov. Townsend, of Delaware, called a special session of the legislature of that state to act on the amendment. The Delaware assembly ratified early in May and the senate quickly ratified, but action by the house was delayed, despite pressure brought to bear by the leaders of both great political parties and by president Wilson. Finally, on June 2, the legislature adjourned with the ratification resolution still in the house committee of the whole.

Louisiana Fails to Act.

Meantime, the Louisiana legislature met and efforts were made to have it act favorably. President Wilson appealed to Gov. Parker to recommend ratification, but the governor declined to do so. The ratification resolution was taken up late in May and was debated at intervals through June and into July. Gov. Cox, the Democratic presidential nominee, threw his influence on the side of the ratification, declaring that the Democrats of the legislature owed it to their party to ratify the amendment. The legislature finally adjourned July 5, however, without acting.

While the Louisiana legislature was considering the question, appeals for planks favorable to suffrage were made to both the Republican and Democratic conventions and the Republican convention was picketed by representatives of the women's party. Suffrage planks were inserted in both platforms.

After the Republican convention adjourned, the women turned their attention to Vermont, making an effort to have Gov. Clement call a special session. An appeal was made to senator Harding to use his influence on

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El Paso Women Will Parade, Celebrating Passage of Suffrage

TO celebrate the ratification of equal suffrage in Tennessee, the El Paso League of Women Voters, has called a meeting at 7 o'clock tonight in Cleveland square. The league will hold a reception in front of the bandstand and be addressed by suffrage speakers.

A parade through the city streets will precede the speech making. Automobiles will be decorated by yellow and white, suffrage colors.

Mrs. O. A. Critchett, president of the league is in charge of the arrangements.

Meanest Thief In Town Swipes Wall Clock From Church

HERE'S El Paso's meanest thief. He took a clock from a church.

A report to city detectives is that a large wall clock in the Methodist church at Grama and Rivera streets, had been stolen.

8 MILE CRAWL ROBS DESERT OF TWO LIVES

Delirious, Prospector Is 22 Hours on Way to His Camp.

TONOPAH, Nev., Aug. 18.—Details of a successful struggle against the rigors of death valley, which cheated the desolating sun of the desert of two more victims, became known here today.

Harry O. Stimler, a prospector, saved both himself and his comrade, William Corcoran, after both had become delirious from the heat and lack of water, by making his way for eight miles, most of the time on his hands and knees, to a point where his camp had been left with supplies. The trip took Stimler 22 hours. He fell unconscious 200 yards from the camp.

After he had revived his father, young Stimler hurried to Corcoran's aid. He found him near death, with the clothing torn from his body, which was lacerated by brush through which he had stumbled. Thirst had so swollen his tongue that he was unable to speak for hours.

The men were in search of a lead mine.

Selling Snakes, New Industry; New York Orders 5000 Pounds

NOGALES, Ariz., Aug. 18.—Possible development of a new industry is indicated by the receipt of an order from Buffalo, N. Y., for 5000 pounds of snakes. The order comes from a medical specialist. The price offered is 20 cents a pound. There are no restrictions concerning character of snake or size, although the serpents are wanted alive.

Cox Smokes Pipe Of Peace With Indians

Columbus, Ohio, Aug. 18.—The pipe of peace was smoked by Gov. Cox with 26 representatives of the Society of American Indians, who paid him an unheralded call last night.

Many of the Indians, including some squaws, were in native garb. An 88 year old Winnebago patriarch filled a long pipe with "kinnicinnick" and the governor took his whiff as the pipe was passed around.

Indian affairs, the governor was told, generally are in good shape. During the informal reception, Gov. Cox was disappointed, when none of his visitors could claim having killed a buffalo. Stating that he was a huntsman and wished to meet a buffalo hunter, Gov. Cox asked his visitors to bring one with them to Washington on March 4.

ROBERTS MAY BE ELIMINATED

Phoenix, Ariz., Aug. 18.—With the exception of C. M. Roberts, Cochise county candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor, all avowed candidates for congress or state offices had filed their nomination papers with the secretary of state by noon today. Nominations for county office were being filed with the boards of supervisors of the various counties. This was the last day for filing nomination papers.

Among the eleventh hour filings were the papers of Thomas Maddock, state engineer, for the Republican nomination for United States senator. Other Republican candidates for that nomination are E. S. Clark, Prescott, former territorial attorney general; Ralph Cameron, former territorial delegate to congress, and E. M. Robison.

Candidates for the Democratic nomination for the senatorship are Marcus A. Smith, for reelection; A. A. Worsley, John W. Norton and judge R. C. Stanford.

For the Republican nomination for the governorship the papers of Gov. Thomas E. Campbell have been filed. There is no contest within the party for that office. Papers of Democratic aspirants filed include those of Mulford Winsor and Mit Simms. There were unconfirmed reports at noon today that C. M. Roberts did not intend to file his papers. This would eliminate him from the race.

Carl Hayden, incumbent, is unopposed for representative in congress. Neither Democrat nor Republican had entered the lists against him up to today.

He Couldn't Work In Public—Wife Jealous

BAY CITY, Mich., Aug. 18.—Edward Barnett, a bricklayer, has started suit for divorce from Alice Barnett. Alice, to make him look ridiculous to coy girls, made him wear a stocking cap all summer, he avers. So jealous was she of him, the bill further says, that she would not let him lay bricks on the front of any buildings. He always had to lay them on the alley side.

REDS TAKE 1200 PRISONERS AND SEVEN GUNS

Lose, Then Regain, Town 55 Miles From Polish Capital

FRENCH BATTLE AT KATTOWITZ

Crowd Attacks the Cavalry, Which Opens Fire With Machine Guns

MOSCOW, Russia, Aug. 18.—**Bolshevik forces northwest of Warsaw captured 1200 prisoners and seven guns in a battle in which they lost and regained the town of Ciechanow, 55 miles from Warsaw, according to Tuesday's official communique. The statement follows:**

"The enemy broke through to the Narew and occupied Ciechanow, but was driven back by our counter attack, and we reoccupied Ciechanow. We captured 1200 prisoners and seven guns.

"Fierce fighting continues northeast of Novo Georgievsk and Warsaw. West of Vladimir-Bolynski, we occupied Grubeshov and a number of villages south of Grubeshov. In the Tarnpol region, we occupied a number of points and advanced to Zboroff."

French Troops in Clash.

Berlin, Germany, Aug. 18.—French troops clashed with the inhabitants of Kattowitz, an important mining town of upper Silesia, yesterday, 11 persons being killed and 26 wounded. Polish troops attempted to break up a mass meeting at Rybnick, near Kattowitz. One person was killed and 20 wounded.

Workers in all towns in upper Silesia struck yesterday as a protest against the war between Russia and Poland. All public utilities were halted from 12 to 7 o'clock and restaurants and stores were closed.

Unions Want Neutrality.

Meetings of trade unions were held in the interest of neutrality and demands were made for the creation of a commission to control the transportation of troops.

A crowd at Kattowitz attacked a detachment of French cavalry, killing one trooper, whereupon the French opened fire with machine guns and grenades, killing 11 and wounding 26. M. Milewski, a local Polish leader, threw a grenade from a window and was dragged from his house and killed.

Fight Continues at Kattowitz.

Berlin, Germany, Aug. 18.—Uninterrupted rifle fire and hand grenade explosions were reported to be proceeding at 1 a. m. at Kattowitz, upper Silesia, where serious fighting occurred last night between French troops and civilians who struck in protest against the Russo-Polish war and demanded disarmament of the occupational troops. In view of the seriousness of the situation, the French officer commanding at the office of the inter-allied commission was said to be negotiating directly with the crowd and held out prospect of the soldiers' arms being surrendered.

Another report said the occupational troops were prepared to deliver their arms to the custody of the security police. A trade union delegation last night entered into direct negotiations with the inter-allied commission and demanded disarmament of the occupational forces. The delegates offered safe conduct for the troops on their departure. The French military commandant, Col. Blancart, said he would rather die than agree to this, according to the report.

A telephone message from Posen last night stated that the Poles had

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We Would, Too, Eh?

PORTLAND, Me., Aug. 18.—Demeritus Constantine Elkopoeutailles asks the probate court to change his name to Demetrius Riggan, on the ground the latter name is more easily pronounced.

The court may grant his request for its own convenience, if for no other reason.

PLACER MINE IS DISCOVERED IN WALL STREET

Flakes of Gold Found In Shadow of the Sub-Treasury

TO WASH CLAY FOR MORE OF IT

Engineers Think Metal Was Lost In Oldtime Canal Ditch

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—Engineers in charge of an excavation in the heart of New York's financial district today were treasuring some tiny yellow metal flakes that one of them scraped from his muddy shoes. Tests have been applied and indications point to discovery of gold in the very shadow of the subtreasury building.

The engineers offered the theory that the metal might have been lost in an old canal which traversed the site years ago. The locality was the site of the first navy yard.

B. C. Beadle, vice president of the engineering company, said the blue clay now being dredged would be washed and a further search made for the mineral.

Dry Agent Busy Over "Tickle Me" Souvenirs

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—James Shevlin, federal prohibition enforcement agent, today started an investigation to ascertain whether there was really any "tickle" in little souvenir bottles passed out last night at the opening performance of "Tickle Me," at a local theater.

While singing an encore to "We've Got Something," the chorus girls passed down the aisles carrying baskets filled with tiny bottles labelled 'whisky'.

A few in the audience opend their souvenirs, sniffed, tasted, smacked their lips and gave exclamations and applause that left no doubt as to their opinion of the refreshment.

"Catch Me As I Smile," McAdoo Tells Photo Men

Washington, D. C., Aug. 18.—William G. McAdoo called on president Wilson today for the first time since the Democratic convention. As he entered the executive offices he was halted by photographers. He didn't like the first snap.

"That was too solemn," he said. "Get one while I am smiling. I don't want anybody to think I am unhappy over the outcome at San Francisco."

When Mr. McAdoo reached the white house, the president and Mrs. Wilson were attending a movie show in the east room, so he joined them there and remained for luncheon.

NEGRO PRISONER ESCAPES.

Phoenix, Ariz., Aug. 18.—County officers received word today of the escape of E. F. Johnson, negro, from the state prison at Florence Monday night. Johnson was convicted in Cochise county in 1918 on a charge of robbery and was sentenced to prison from five to 20 years.

Hurts Toe Kicking Boy Who Got Milk

SUSPICIOUS actions and thieving won't go 'in Frank Coles's neighborhood.

A neighbor of Mr. Coles, living at 217 East San Antonio street, told him that a thief had been stealing his milk every morning. Wednesday morning Mr. Coles watched. Presently he saw an 18-year-old boy take the bottle of milk. Coles dashed up to him, arrayed in a nightgown, and detained him. The boy became unruly and, according to the police report, Coles kicked him, with his bare foot. When police arrived they found Coles limping slightly, but grinning. He was detaining Guillermo Allen, whom he charged with the theft. The boy will be transferred to county authorities.

Phials Used In War Washed up On L. I. Shore

New York, Aug. 18.—(By the Associated Press.)—For two weeks there have been cast up along the Jersey and Long Island shores thousands of mysterious phials filled with a white powder and hermetically sealed—phials which little children have found explode like minature bombs when hurled against a rock.

From Seagirt, N. J., as far north as Coney Island and Long Beach, these phials have been washed ashore and picked up by beach habitues, who wove "spy" theories about these little glass tubes until finally the matter reached the attention of the port authorities and men of science.

Then the chemist spoke. The phials contained neither explosive nor poison, neither habit forming drugs nor one of rare curative powers. They contained calcium hydochlorite, a preparation used during the war to purify water, to protect man and not to kill him.

But only half the mystery is solved. Having identified the phials as part of those made in the United States and encased in vacuum tubes for shipment overseas for use by individual soldiers, the athorities are still unable to explain how the phials came to be washed ashore at summer resorts, nearly two years after the war.

Blimp Border Patrol Starts On October 1

Border smugglers will be faced by an aerial menace after October 1, for on that date, the local military forces hope, a blimp patrol service will be in use to aid in the warfare on illegal traffic across the international line.

The dirigible to be used has arrived, and is now being assembled at Camp Bliss by a crew of 12 men sent from Langley field, Va., for that purpose. Sgts. Harry Chapman, F. L. Banks, H. C. Gamble and H. D. Barnes are noncommissioned officers with the assembling squad.

The dirigible, when assembled, will be about 250 feet long, and will carry a crew of eight, with Lieut. H. T. Burt, of the Eighth airship company, probably to be in command. It is to be driven by two 250 horsepower engines, and can maintain a speed of about 35 miles an hour.

Delayed arrival of the engines is hampering progress on assembling work, but it is expected the blimp will be in service in time for the carnival planned for October 1 and 2 at Fort Bliss.

"The proved circulation of The El Paso Herald is nearly twice that of any other El Paso paper."

Takes Armful Of Wood From Yard; Is Killed

MERINO, Colo., Aug. 18.—Ben Fuller, a Logan county farmer, was shot and killed today when it is alleged he was detected carrying an armful of wood from the yards of a local lumber company.

Everett Dean, a school boy, discovered Fuller leaving the yards, according to his story, and notified G. H. Ballard and F. E. Fuller, managers. The three pursued.

Everett said one of the managers fired one shot from a relover in the air. Later he said Fuller, shot at his pursuers and then Dean fired at Fuller with a shot gun, killing him.

A widow and four children survive Fuller. An inquest will be held tomorrow.

ONE DAY STRIKE IS PLANNED BY DENVER UNIONS

Ultimatum to Be Given to City Officials on Strike Breakers.

DENVER, Colo., Aug. 18.—Delegates to the Denver Trades and Labor assembly have adopted resolutions calling for a referendum vote by all local unions on a proposal to call a general strike for 24 hours, August 22, in sympathy with striking street car men. Other resolutions demanded institution of proceedings to recall mayor Dewey C. Bailey.

The proposal to be placed before the unions is:

That an ultimatium be issued to city officials to remove every strike-breaker now manning tramway cars from the city by 7 a. m., August 23; that if the strikebreakers are not out of the city at that time, every union man will take "special vacation" until 7 a. m., August 24; that if the strikbreakers are not removed by the latter time, the strike will be continued indefinitely.

A proposal to begin action at once to reduce Denver street car fare to five cents was ordered held in abeyance by delegates until completion of the strike investigation by G. Y. Harry, federal mediator.

The assembly's legislative committee was authorized to investigate proposals for municipal ownership and "democratic control" of the tramway lines.

"Pandering To Unions in Texas Causes Unrest"

Washington, D. C., Aug. 18.—Representative "Joe" Eagle, of Houston, who is not a candidate to succeed himself in congress, left here today for Texas to assist in the Bailey campaign for governor. Eagle declared in a statement that he is not in sympathy with president Wilson's views on labor, the prohibition amendment or the woman suffrage amendment, but he is in accord with Bailey's views on these issues.

"Because of the administration's pandering to organized labor," said Eagle, "there is a spread of Bolshevism in Texas."

EL PASO OFFICER MAY ENTER RACE

Although Lieut. Byron T. Burt, D. S. C., commander of the Eighth airship company at Fort Bliss, was picked to lead the army team of three balloons in the national elimination balloon race at Indianapolis, September 11, he has asked the chief of the air service to put a substitute in his place. He was the only man from the southern department chosen to take part in the race.

The Lieutenant asked for a substitute because he is too busy with his duties in El Paso. He is having a big balloon constructed at the fort which will take part in the military-civilian-international carnival in El Paso commencing October 1. If the balloon is ready for the exhibition October 1, Lieut. Burt said it would be necessary for him to give up his opportunity to take part in the Indianapolis contest.

Lieut. Burt was chosen to take part in the race because of his war record overseas with the Seventh balloon company and because he won the balloon race between the army and navy in St. Louis, September 28, 1919.

Twelve Persons Hurt When Train Is Derailed

St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 18. — Twelve persons were injured, two probably seriously, when a Missouri Pacific passenger train from St. Louis for Kansas City was derailed three miles west of Warrensburg, Mo., today, according to a report received here.

Either Shoot 'Em Or Give Them A Smoke

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Aug. 18.—The "infernal triangle" C. P. Potts, who hails from down "Little Egypt" way, is the original "triangular" solver. His scheme is let the other fellow have your wife. William Evans made off with Potts' wife. The two came here. Evans was arrested. Potts saw him at the jail and said: "No, I don't want my wife back. You can have her. Just be good to her, that's all. And, by the way, here are a few cigars."

NIPPON NIPS SCHEME TO HOLD AMERICAN PARTY IN FAR EAST

Hope Was to Cause Complications Between Japan and This Country; Eleven Are Arrested, Including Man Who Tried to Assassinate Field Marshal Terauchi; Situation Now Well in Hand, Report of Governor.

TOKIO, Japan, Aug. 18.—(By the Associated Press).—Press advices from Seoul, Korea, allege widespread Korean plots to hold the party of American congressmen visiting the far east to bring about complications between Japan and America.

The dispatches report the arrest of Yank Keui-Taik, once convicted and imprisoned for an attempt to assassinate former premier field marshal Terauchi, and also ten other Koreans charged with political anti-Japanese intrigue and participation in the plot against American congressmen.

The Korean governor general, in a statement, says the situation is well in hand and declares that numerous arrests have been made of agitators.

CANTU READY TO STEP OUT

Mexicali, Lower Calif., Aug. 18.—(By the Associated Press).—Plans for transferring the governorship of the northern district of Lower California from Esteban Cantu to Gen. Luis M. Salazar today virtually were completed last night.

Gov. Cantu authorized the statement that Gen. Salazar would succeed him in the governorship today.

It was stated that messages, received from Mexico City, were of such a nature as to cause Col. Cantu to decide to accept them as final instead of waiting as had been planned for the arrival from the capital of Gen. Salazar's commission as governor.

It was announced that Cantu soon would resume his colonelcy in the Mexican army and that meantime he would visit Mexico City.

Virtually all of the Cantu appointees will be retained by the new governor, it was announced. It was added that his policy toward existing gambling and other concessions in the district would not be promulgated formally, pending further advices from Mexico City. It was pointed out, however, that the provisional government had gone on record as opposed to gambling and vice.

BIG IRRIGATION PROJECT UNDERTAKEN IN SINALOA

Mexico City, Mex., Aug. 18.—Governmental efforts to stay the emigration of Mexican workers into the United States and to induce those already there to return to their native land have taken form in the official support given a corporation recently formed to develop 500,000 acres of land in the Fuerte valley of Sinaloa. The company, in addition to a federal concession, has been granted a subsidy of $2,250,000 by the state government of Sinaloa and large tracts of land in that state.

It plans to construct several reservoirs at Choix and a dam at San Blas, with canals on each side of the Fuerte river to be used for irrigation purposes.

JUAREZ C. OF C. COOPERATES TO LIFT QUARANTINE

Members of the Juarez chamber of commerce at a meeting Tuesday afternoon pledged their support to the El Paso chamber of commerce in its fight to raise the quarantine on cotton, and said they would do all within their power to keep cotton pests out of the Rio Grande country on the Mexican side. Cotton will be required by law to fumigate their cotton seed, they declared. Wires were sent to authorities at Mexico City and Chihuahua City asking for their aid.

CONSUL REDUCES TIME FOR VISEING PASSPORTS

The time for viseing Americans' passports has been reduced by the Mexican consul to three hours a day, from 9 to 12 o'clock in the morning, according to an announcement made Tuesday afternoon at the consulate. Heretofore the consulate has been open two hours in the afternoon to vise passports. Rush of other business during afternoon hours is given as the reason for restricting passport viseing to the morning hours.

BIG SHORTAGES IN ARMY FUNDS REPORTED IN MEXICO

Mexico City, Mexico, Aug. 18.—Proceedings against 48 army paymasters are actually pending in federal district courts, involving the disappearance since 1914 of more than 2,000,000 pesos of army funds, according to The Excelsior, which quotes Eduardo Neri, attorney general. The attorney general, it is stated, is desirous of pushing these cases and demand-

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OPERATORS TO SPLIT DISTRICT

Cleveland, Ohio, Aug. 18.—A division of the bituminous coal operators of the central competitive field—Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and western Pennsylvania—with separate bargaining with the miners of each state, is probable, it was learned after today's meeting of the two subcommittees appointed by the joint scale committee, who reported a disagreement to the joint committee in the existing deadlock over the question of wages for an adjustment of alleged inequities existing in the recent award of president Wilson's bituminous coal commission.

"Great differences exist among the operators of the four states," said William Green, secretary-treasurer of the United Mine Workers of America, "which may result in the disruption of the joint wage movement now in force in the central competitive field."

It was learned from an authoritative source that operators of Illinois and Indiana are in favor of settling the controversy existing over the inequities in the wage award, but that the operators of Ohio and western Pennsylvania are opposed to adjustment.

New U. S. Auto Theft Law Is Put to Test

Phoenix, Ariz., Aug. 18.—Another way of getting at a man who transports a stolen automobile from one state to another was exemplified yesterday afternoon when Thomas Scott Hawthorne received a hearing in the court of United States commissioner John S. Henke on a charge of violating the interstate commerce act in the manner outlined above. Hawthorne pleaded guilty and was held to the United States district court. His was placed in the county jail under $1500 bond. He was accused of having taken the stolen car from Los Angeles to Phoenix, the contention of the government being that he knew it was stolen property.

HEAVY RAINS STOP ALL TRAINS ON TEXAS & PACIFIC

Pecos, Tex., Aug. 19.—Without newspapers and nearly without mail, Pecos residents today got a touch of the pioneer life on Tuesday, when but one train reached the place. Water that had covered the Texas & Pacific tracks eight feet deep at Warfield lake, east of Pecos, effectually blocked all traffic and one train was held up at Big Springs and another at Midland. Eastbound trains were held at Toyah. The one train that made Pecos during the day was a local mixed passenger and freight on the Santa Fe from New Mexican points, but it carried no newspapers and only pouch mail.

ARIZONA COMMISSION WILL HEAR RATE CASES SEPT. 14

Phoenix, Ariz., Aug. 18.—The Arizona corporation commission today fixed September 14 as the date for hearing applications of nine railroads in Arizona for increase interstate rates to conform to increases recently allowed by the Interstate commerce commission. The commission said it desired the announcement to receive "widest publicity" in order that "all persons interested" might have opportunity to appear before the commission.

Musical Thieves Get 200 Records

THIEVES with a taste for music entered the Kaiser apartments Tuesday night and took approximately 200 phonograph records, valued at $150. The records were the property of Scott White.

Nasty Stories Are Circulated About Both The Candidates; None Is Worthy Of Credence, Says Lawrence

By DAVID LAWRENCE.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 18.—Most people have an idea that, as gossips, women are the worst offenders, but anyone who spends several days in Ohio studying the presidential campaign must be convinced that the male of the species is more deadly than the female. For campaign whiskers and lies have begun their insidious journey to the minds of the voters outside of Ohio. The private lives of senator Harding and Gov. Cox have been thoroughly canvassed and the trails of slander which played so prominent a part in the undercurrents of the 1916 campaign have been started afresh with respect to both presidential candidates.

The trouble is that the people who have lived for years in the towns or cities with their respective candidates and whose minds are colored by grievances and prejudices and sometimes by imaginative powers not confined to politics have given free rein to their tongues.

This, perhaps, is the most distasteful phase of the presidential campaign and, were it not for the fact that it is playing already so prominent a part in the word of mouth propaganda of the campaign, it could be ignored.

Usual Charges Made.

Many people who could otherwise judge the candidates on what they say in print or by what is said about them in newspapers may be swayed in their judgment by the poisonous stories, and not one of them, with all respect to senator Harding or Gov. Cox, has anything more to do with the qualifications of these men as president of the United States than the private lives of the voters who will do the voting next November. It is not necessary to describe even the nature of these stories. Let it suffice to say that everything that has ever been charged against persons in public life is being said about Harding and Cox. Not satisfied to inquire into the domestic relations of each of the candidates, the talemongers have even gone back a generation or two, and in one instance nearly 100 years, to resurrect skeletons of moral laxity.

Anyone who listens carefully to the stories told by both sides cannot but be impressed with the facts that the proponents of the case afford absolutely no index to character. The trouble is that party workers have an idea this is the thing that makes votes and, while on the subject of party workers, the writer has seen enough and heard enough to become convinced that the Democrats and Republicans and the wards and precincts where this propaganda is being peddled are equally culpable.

Somehow it appears to a disinterested observer as if the national and state managers could put a stop to this sort of thing, which is as degrading as it is politically popular. There are plenty of faults in the policies and promises of Harding and Cox for the voter to determine which man is better able to manage the public business of this country for four long and uninterrupted years.

Chivalry Seems Lacking.

Some politicians in Ohio haven't given a very good example of political chivalry—at least the party workers haven't.

If the newspapermen who are, for the time being, with senator Harding or those who are with Gov. Cox were to confess all the stories that prejudiced Republicans and Democrats have endeavored to "plant" on them, it would be as shocking as it is probably unbelievable to those who do not understand the extremes to which some politicians will go to accomplish their purpose. Any man or woman who permits his or her vote to be influenced by these stories, however circumstantial they may appear, will be doing an injustice to senator Harding and Gov. Cox, for, while both are human beings, they are honorable and honest men, with a morality and conscience far above the average, and all the stories about drinking, gambling, business deals, domestic troubles, ancestral weaknesses and the like can be dismissed as having absolutely no more relationship to the true worth of the two presidential candidates than the color of their hair and the shade of their eyes.—Copyright, 1920, by David Lawrence.

Headliners In Today's Theaters

ALHAMBRA—
Pantages Vaudeville.
BIJOU—
"Piccadilly Jim," Owen Moore.
ELLANAY—
"The Great Accident," Tome Moore.
GREGIAN—
"A Broadway Cowboy," Bill Desmond.
RIALTO—
"Sand," William S. Hart.
UNIQUE—
"A Cumberland Romance," Mary Miles Minter.
WIGWAM—
"Invisible Divorce."
(Read amusement ads on page 7.)

A Free Booklet on Soviet Government

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