

## MAXWELL WAS REAL KING OF U. S. SECTION

Ruled Absolute Over Two  
Million Acres New Mex-  
ico Land.

BUILT UP AN EMPIRE

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CIMARRON, N. M., Sept. 10.—This little

mountain town of a few hundred in-

habitants was once the headquarters of

one of the greatest states that ever be-

longed to one man in America—the fa-

mous Maxwell ranch—and the remains

of the baronial dwelling from which it

was administered, still stands here.

In old books you can find facts about

the Maxwell ranch, and from old-timers

hereabouts you can learn a good deal

more. Indeed, there are few persons in

this vicinity who can not tell you some-

thing either from hearsay or from first-

hand knowledge about Maxwell and his

doings.

But to the world at large he and his

great estate are forgotten.

And this is to be regretted, for it

would be hard to find a more significant

and dramatic passage in early south-

western history than the story of this

bit of land.

Maxwell was really an absolute mon-

arch, ruling over a domain larger than

many of the states of the union, and

several times as large as some European

states that have flags and crowns.

Furthermore, he was evidently a born

leader and organizer. He was one of

the great southwestern wilderness, to

organize and to make other men work

for his profit.

In a word he was one of the first

American capitalists in the west. The

establishment of his little kingdom

marked the beginning of the transition

from the pioneer days, when everything

was free to everybody, to the system of

private ownership upon which industrial

America was built.

That whole transition was fought out

bloody on this bit of soil.

MISSOURI

"SHOWN" EM.

Maxwell was a pantheist and adventur-

ous young man from Missouri who joined

the Fremont expedition to the west. He

was discharged and paid off at Taos,

New Mexico, together with a number of

others, one of whom was Kit Carson, the

famous scout and hunter.

Maxwell and Carson were friends as

long as they both lived.

In Taos lived some old Spanish fami-

lies who owned wide lands granted them

by the Spanish king. They did little or

nothing with these lands and had only

the vaguest idea how much they owned.

In addition to their lands these Mexi-

cans had large families, including

beautiful daughters.

Nearly all of the discharged members

of the Fremont expedition, Carson and

Maxwell among them, promptly fell in

love with some of the girls. But the

young adventurers were soon married.

Here the difference between them as-

serted itself. Carson, a born fighter and

wanderer, deposited his wife and family

in an adobe house and left these there,

while he went out to make a place for

himself in history as an Indian fighter

and explorer.

He never gathered enough property to

hamper his movements. But Maxwell

took his bride, who was Luz Baubien

before he married her, went across the

desired amount in bills, which he chea-

pingly tendered to his host.

With a gesture of incomprehensible

gratitude, Maxwell punched a match in

the money and lit his pipe at the flames, then

toasted the charred remains away. The

incident was closed.

Such was one of America's earliest

plutocrats.

St. Joe T. B. Hospital

Is Approved by U. S.

Special to The Times.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Sept. 10.—Health-

wa hospital, St. Joseph county's free

tuberculosis sanatorium, is approved by

a government health bureau report as

being one of the best institutions used

by the government.

There are forty-four war risk in-

surance bureau patients included among

the 150 persons cared for at the insti-

tution.

The hospital has taken care of all tu-

berculosis patients in the county who

have been treated, still stands here.

It has received thirty-two children sus-

ceptible to the disease, into the summer

"preventorium."

Cleveland Woman

Drowns Baby in Lake

CLEVELAND, Sept. 10.—While tem-

porarily unbalanced from worry over fi-

nancial difficulties, Miss Katie

Mullaly, 1234 Sugar Grove ave., 32

years old, drowned her five-year-old

baby in the lake and attempted suicide

in the same manner here yesterday.

Fishermen saved the woman.

Fishermen saw the woman carry the

child into the water and when waist deep,

place it in the water.

They said the woman then walked out

until the water was up to her neck.

Russian Refugee Is

Shot by U. S. Soldier

NEW YORK, Sept. 10.—Pavel Nikoloff,

14, one of several hundred Russian chil-

dren refugees awaiting transportation to

Europe, was accidentally shot and killed

by the guard while waiting in front of

the barracks at Ft. Wadsworth yesterday,

according to the statement of Col. Wil-

liam Menroe, commandant.

The soldier was going through military

movements in accordance with the man-

ual of arms, when he fumbled the rifle

and pulled the trigger.

St. Louis Man Found

Seriously Wounded

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 10.—Michael J. Mul-

laley, 56, president of the Mullaley-Hoyes

Grain Company, was found in his bed-

room shot and seriously wounded yester-

day by members of his family, who hur-

ried there after hearing the report of a

pistol.

The police started an investigation.

Mullaley, with a wound in his chest,

was taken to St. John's hospital.

Charges Her Husband

Keeps Other Woman

Charging that her husband has pur-

chased an automobile and has provided

luxurious apartments for another woman,

Mrs. Virginia D. Richards has again

carried her domestic troubles to the courts,

this time filing suit for divorce in the

circuit court against H. Virgil Richards

of the Bell Chamber company.

Mrs. Richards, in addition to asking

an absolute divorce, petitions the court

for \$5,000 alimony and states in her or-

der of the court that Morgan consented

to pay her \$100 a month as support

money, but that he has failed to do so.

Marriage Licenses

Carl Clamplitt, 126 S. 14th, Terre Haute, 23

## Liquor Without Value Now, Tax Board Says

NEWARK, N. J., Sept. 10.—Wines, gin

and cordials have no value today, ac-

cording to the Essex county board of tax-

ation.

The board made this ruling on appeals

from two tax assessments, one on the

estate of Casper A. Miller of Irvington,

whose inventory showed a stock of liquor

valued at \$1,000.

The executor appealed on the ground

that while the liquor might be kept on

the inventory at that sum it was

really worth nothing because the Vol-

stead act prohibited its sale.

The board agreed.

In another case where quart

of fancy wines and cordials ap-

peared on the inventory, the board

decided the executors were right in putting

on a nominal value of \$1 on them.

Curiosity of Woman

Recovers Stolen Car

ODESSA, Mo., Sept. 10.—To a woman's

curiosity belongs the credit of recover-

ing a stolen automobile belonging to Dr.

L. V. Dawson of Kansas City.

A young man stopped at a farm house

near Laclede and asked permission to

leave his motor car for a while. It was

granted.

While looking over the car the farm-

er's wife found a handkerchief marked

"Dr. L. V. Dawson." This woman at

once wrote to her daughter in Kansas

City and asked her to telephone Dr.

Dawson and see if he had lost a car.

She did so, and the doctor came here

and identified his car.

Legion Convention

in New York State

ALBANY, N. Y., Sept. 10.—Hundreds of

former service men are arriving in this

city today for the annual New York state

convention of the American Legion.

The convention will open its sessions

today and continue the meetings through

tomorrow.

Officers will be elected and delegates to

the national convention at Cleveland

Sept. 28 to 30 will be chosen.

Must Ask Decision

on Woman Suffrage

WASHINGTON, Sept. 10.—The depart-

ment of justice will not render an opi-

nion on the validity of the suffrage amend-

ment unless the president or depart-

ment of state asks, the attorney general

announced yesterday afternoon.

Suffrage leaders have sought an opi-

nion from the attorney general.

Short Session Is Due

to Death of Veteran

Twenty-seven surviving members of the

Fifty-second regiment of the Indiana in-

fantry, today are looking forward to

the session of the legislature.

The veterans met yesterday afternoon

in annual reunion but adjourned be-

cause of the recent death of Capt. Peter

Negley.

In memory of their comrade, the vet-

erans asked the daughter of Capt. Neg-

ley to preside.

Purdue Enrollment

Heavy; Bar Limit Set

Special to The Times.

LAFAYETTE, Ind., Sept. 10.—Purdue

university will bar the enrollment of stu-

dents after tomorrow.

Enrollment to date has been the heav-

iest in history, the 2,700 mark of last

year having been passed, and the school

is without funds for equipment of the

new instructors and the purchase of

added equipment needed to care for

## HOOSIERS ARE IN MINE CONTESTS

First Aid and Rescues Staged

at Denver.

DENVER, Sept. 10.—Fifty first aid and

mine rescue teams from all mining states

in the Union will compete here today in

the international first aid contests to be

held in connection with the meeting of

mining men.

A real mine disaster will be staged

in a specially constructed gallery.

Mine rescue teams will enter the smoke

filled chamber and first aid teams will

give them the first aid.

The J. K. Deering Coal Company of

Clinton, Ind., was represented by two

first aid teams.

Major E. J. Stearns is captain of the team

from mine No. 6 and John Stealy is

team captain of mine No. 8.

There are seven men on each team.

Special to The Times.

LAFAYETTE, Ind., Sept. 10.—President

W. E. Stone in an address which offi-

cially opened the new university year,