

RAWN WAS VICTIM OF AN ASSASSIN

Finding of Second Bullet Shows
Suicide Theory False.

ESTATE IS TO BE ATTACHED

Illinois Central Graft Probe May Re-
veal Half Dozen Former Officials
to Have Profited by Al-
leged Crookedness.

Chicago, July 22.—Important devel-
opments have strengthened the theory
that Ira G. Rawn, president of the
Monon railway, was not a suicide, but
was murdered by a midnight maura-
der. One of the most important new
features is the finding of the second
bullet. This is highly important as
showing that Mr. Rawn fired at the
intruder. Failure to find this bullet
and the fact that but one chamber of
his revolver was empty has done much
to brave up the theory of suicide.

It also serves to show that he was
slain with a weapon of much larger
caliber than his own, as the bullet
which entered his body tore a hole
near his spine where it emerged after
passing through his body.

Still another development was a
private examination of the premises,
the body of the slain man and an ex-
amination of the servants and neigh-
bors by detectives said to have been
employed by insurance companies.
These men, after many hours work,
announced they had no doubt Mr.
Rawn had been murdered and that
the insurance companies would prob-
ably not contest the payment of his
policies.

Against all these features, which in-
dicate that he was slain by an assas-
sin or some one prompted by revenge,
is the statement by attorneys for the
Illinois Central that Mr. Rawn was on
the verge of being exposed as the
head and front of the conspiracy to
loot that company of \$1,500,000. None
of the men making these charges will
stand for them over his signature, but
all talk freely of the case and say the
evidence was overwhelming.

It was stated authoritatively by the
Illinois Central attorneys that Rawn's
estate would be tied up in the courts
in an effort to reimburse the road for
its losses. The amount of his estate
is not exactly known, but it is thought
he was worth, aside from his life in-
surance, fully a million dollars. It is
thought his total insurance, accident
and life, will exceed \$200,000.

Before the latest developments, at-
torneys connected with the Illinois
Central graft inquiry painted Rawn as
the head, front and brains of the mil-
lion and half dollars conspiracy. Some
of them went further and said they
had expected his suicide and that they
are now even expecting the suicide
of another former and prominent of-
ficial of the road who has not thus far
mentioned in connection with the
graft cases. It was stated that soon
another bill will be filed bringing
nearly half a dozen former officials
of the road into the case.

700 IN GRAVE DANGER

Forest Fires Surround Towns
and Escape Is Cut Off.

Situation at Bloomville Is Very Cri-
tical and Food Problem Is Serious
One—Loss Over \$200,000.

Merrill Wis. July 22.—Seven hun-
dred persons in Bloomville and Hein-
emann are hemmed in by forest fires
with seemingly no means of escape.

The fires have destroyed the rail-
road tracks for some distance be-
tween Merrill and Bloomville, making
it impossible for the inhabitants of
doomed towns to seek refuge by rail.

The situation at Bloomville is criti-
cal. The 400 homeless of Heinemann
fled to that village only to be con-
fronted by similar peril. Gleason,
north of Bloomville, is isolated by the
fire and it has been impossible to get
word from there for several hours.
This leaves Bloomville with its 500
persons cut off on every side. With
the population nearly tripled, the ques-
tion of feeding the people is a serious
one. Reports from Bloomville tell of
the flight of scores of people, some
going on foot and others in wagons.
The loss to buildings is \$200,000.

GUARD NEGRO FROM MOB LAW

Brutal Assault on Six-Year-Old Girl
May Be Avenged.

Wheeling, W. Va., July 22.—John
Jackson, an ex-convict, was captured
at Claysville, Pa., charged with ab-
ducting Mary Maurer, a 6-year-old girl
of McMechan and of a prominent
family. The man is 40 years old and
Wednesday night he grabbed the child
and kept her on a hill all night, sub-
jecting her to indignities.

An angry mob pursued him, and
fifty shots were fired, but he escaped.
He was brought back under a heavy
guard to prevent lynching and lodged
in the Moundsville penitentiary. Feel-
ing runs high here and trouble is
feared.

CHURCH ENDS CONFERENCE

Reports Show Much Progress in Sey-
mour District During 1909.

Seymour, Ind., July 22.—The Sey-
mour District Conference of the Meth-
odist church closed a three days' ses-
sion here.

Among those who took prominent
places on the program were the Rev.
M. B. Hyle, of Indianapolis, the Rev.
Harry A. King, president of Moores
Hill college, and the Rev. Virgil Tevis
of Rushville.

The reports from the different
churches in the district showed that
much progress has been made by the
church in this district the last year.

FIND LOOT ON CIRCUS TRAIN

Employees of Lumber Company Re-
cover Stolen Harness From Car.

Rushville, Ind., July 22.—After
searching forty-five cars of a circus
train at Connersville, Wilbur Grindle
and Will Buckner, employed by the
Case Lumber company here, finally
found locked in a tool box on the last
car five sets of harness, valued at
\$125, which were stolen from the Case
barns Monday night when the circus
was here.

An employee of the circus who com-
mitted the robbery could not be
found.

HOT COFFEE SCALDS WOMAN

Farmer's Wife Is Seriously Injured
While Cooking for Thrashers.

Fairmont, Ind., July 22.—Mrs. Oscar
Mart, wife of a well known farmer,
was terribly burned by the explosion
of the contents of a large tin bucket,
in which she was making a large quan-
tity of coffee for the members of a
thrashing crew.

She had placed a tight lid on the
bucket, which was blown off by the
accumulated steam. Although her
burns are very deep, it is thought that
she will recover.

Y. M. C. A. DIRECTOR TRIED

Sentiment Favors Defendant in Evans-
ville Case Charging Loitering.

Evansville, Ind., July 22.—J. W.
Bailey, physical director of the Y. M.
C. A., who was arrested in front of a
poolroom here on a charge of loiter-
ing, was tried in the city court, but
judgment in his case was reserved un-
til the police could offer more evidence
to sustain their case.

Sentiment developed against what
some persons term overzealous efforts
of the police to break up loitering
downtown.

RABBI GOES TO NEW YORK

Lafayette Clergyman Receives Ap-
pointment to Church at Rochester.

Lafayette, Ind., July 22.—Dr. Hor-
ace J. Wolf, who for the last year has
been rabbi of the Jewish congrega-
tion of this city, has been appointed
associate rabbi of a large congrega-
tion at Rochester, N. Y.

He will be associated with Dr.
Landsberg, rabbi of the congregation.
Dr. Wolf is well known throughout
the state.

DRAFT CANNON CRACKER LAW

Shelbyville Councilman Adopt Ord-
inance to Prohibit Their Use.

Shelbyville, Ind., July 22.—Although
the Fourth of July is long since over
Mayor Hawkins and members of the
council did not believe it too late to
draft an ordinance prohibiting the dis-
charge of cannon crackers in this city
and the ordinance was passed on third
reading, the rules being suspended.

LIGHT FIRE UNDER SLEEPER

Pittsburgher Is Burned When Boys
Start Blaze Beneath Park Bench.

Pittsburg, July 22.—Robert Finley
fell asleep on a bench in East Park
and mischievous boys threw a burning
newspaper under him.

His clothes were nearly burned off
and his head and shoulders badly blis-
tered before the fire was extinguished
by policemen. The boys escaped.

CYCLONE SWEEPS SWEDEN

Farm Houses and Factories Unroofed
Near Eskilstuna—No One Dead.

Stockholm, Sweden, July 22.—Central
Sweden was visited by a cyclone.
No lives were lost, but there was much
damage to property.

Many farm houses and factories
were unroofed, especially in and
about city of Eskilstuna.

FARMER DIES IN A MEADOW

Succumbs to Heart Disease While
Working in Harvest Field.

Columbus, Ind., July 22.—William
Taylor, 65 years old, dropped dead of
heart disease in a hay field on his
farm near Newbern.

He was a member of the Order of
Red Men and was one of the county's
most successful farmers.

Rensselaer's
Big Corner
Department
Store.

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Shoes of
High Quality
and
LOW PRICE.

Entire Stock of Men's and Boys', Women's and Children's Low Shoes Reduced for Clearance, Crossett, Krip- pendorf, and Other High-Grade Makes.



The selection we are offering comprises many lines
that are nearly complete. We are determined to
to sell them this season if low
prices can make it possible,
for we never carry this sea-
son's products over to the
next.

We cannot urge you too strongly to take
advantage of this sale. Thousands know per-
sonally of the high quality of Shoes we sell
and the lowness of our prices, but to make
quick clearance, our already low prices are
still lowered.



This Sale Makes a Big Saving to You on Your Fall Shoes.

\$1.75 for Women's \$2.00 Patent and Patent Tip Vici
Oxfords.

\$2.15 and \$2.65 for Women's \$2.50 and 3.00 Gun Metal,
Patent, Tan and Black Suede Ankle Strap Pumps,
Gun Metal and Patent Sailor Ties, Gun Metal, Pat-
ent and Tan Blucher and Button Oxfords.

\$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50 for low heel Soft Vici Slippers
for hot weather.

50c and \$1.00 for Serge Slippers that are cool and com-
fortable.

A complete stock of all kinds of Work Shoes, made of
solid leather, the kind of shoes that wear.

\$2.45 for Men's \$3.00, \$2.85 for Men's \$3.50, and \$3.15
for Men's \$4.00 Low Shoes, including Gun Metal
2-eylet tie pumps, Patent Colt 2-eylet tie pumps,
Tan Russia Calf 2-eylet tie pumps; Patent Colt,
Gun Metal and Tan Button Blucher Oxfords; Soft
Vici and Velour Calf in lace, button and blucher.

Low Shoes for Boys, Misses and Children, all are in-
cluded in this Gigantic Clearance Sale, including
Tans, Patents, Gun Metals, and Vici, in Ankle
Strap Pumps, Sailor Ties, Button and Blucher Ox-
fords.

\$1.35 for Women's \$1.75 Patent Tip Vici Oxfords.

DON'T FAIL TO ATTEND THE BIG JULY CLEARANCE SALE Now in Progress in All Departments

THE BIG CORNER DEPARTMENT STORE.

TAFT LEAVES FOR TEN DAYS CRUISE

President Outlines His Position
on State Conventions.

President Taft has announced that
he is not going to draw any plat-
forms for use at Republican state con-
ventions this fall. He has no desire
to figure as the dictator of party pol-
icies and will not assume the authority
of a writer-in-chief of these more or
less important documents. Neither
does he intend to become the arbiter
of national fights, and he will not at-
tempt to select men from any office as
administration candidates. Taft ex-
pressed the belief that in most cases
states to state conventions pos-
sess sufficient interest and intelli-
gence to select platforms that suited
them.

He let it be known that he had not
come out with an out and out endorse-
ment of the Ohio platform that Sena-
tor Charles Dick and Wade E. Ellis
of Ohio brought up here. The senator
and Mr. Ellis were of the opinion after
seeing the president that their plat-
form would serve as a model for other
conventions. The president did not
repudiate this assertion to callers, but
he did let it be known that he would
not bother with other platforms.

Former Gov. John F. Hill, acting
chairman of the Republican national
committee, and Byron Boyd, chairman
of the Maine state committee, motored
down to Beverly from Augusta to
Burgess Point. The president prom-
ised them to make three short visits
in Maine. One is to be at Eastport
Tuesday; the second at Bangor on
Saturday, and the third at Rockland
on the 27th. To get to Bangor the
president will take a special train
from Bar Harbor. He will stop at
each of these three places an hour.

The personnel of the party which
went north on the Mayflower is:
The president, Mrs. Taft, Mas-
ter Charlie Taft, Horace D. Taft, Mrs.
Louis T. Moore, a sister of Mrs. Taft,
Prof. O'More, Secretary to the Presi-
dent, C. D. Norton, Assistant Sec-
retary of the Navy and Mrs. Winthrop,
Miss Mabel Boardman, Capt. A. W.
Butt, M. P. Webster and James
Sloan Jr.

Announcement was made at the
executive offices that President Taft
was much pleased with the reception
given to Secretary of War Dickinson
in Tokio. Here is the telegram the
president sent to the Emperor of
Japan:

"I wish to express to your majesty
my deep appreciation of the generous
and courteous hospitality extended to

Secretary Dickinson and his party
during their visit to Japan. The ex-
pression of cordial welcome evoked
strengthens the bonds of friendship
between the two countries."

GUN BLAST KILLS ELEVEN

Accident Occurs During "War Game"
at Fort Monroe.

Sergeant Haas and ten enlisted men
were killed and a number injured in
a "war game" at Fort Monroe.

The disaster occurred in the De
Roussy battery, and was caused by
the blowing out of a breech lock.

The accident occurred as a fleet of
targets, representing a hostile squad-
ron sailing to attack Washington, was
towed into Hampton roads.

Five shore batteries of coast artil-
lery, mounted with ten and twelve
inch guns, were attempting to demol-
ish the invading force.

DEATH ENDS AUTO TRIP

Family of Three Killed In Crash
Near Chicago.

Death ended the trip of a fam-
ily when an eastbound Chicago and
Northwestern passenger train crashed
into the automobile of Dr. W. J. Mc-
Evilly, of Dysart, Ia., a half mile east
of Lombard, Ill. Besides the physician
his wife and nine-year-old daughter
Mary were in the machine. All were
thrown several hundred yards by the
train and the automobile was smashed
to pieces.

Dr. McEvilly was killed outright, the
child died a few minutes after the acci-
dent, and Mrs. McEvilly died in West
Chicago while still unconscious.

Dr. McEvilly was president of the
Tama County (Ia.) Medical society.
He was born in Detroit and was forty
years old.

GOV. CARROLL IS INDICTED

Grand Jury Returns a True Bill
Against B. F. Carroll.

Governor Garroll of Iowa was indit-
ed in the city of Des Moines for
criminal libel by the Polk county
grand jury. The indictment is the
outgrowth of a long investigation by
the grand jury of affairs in the Iowa
Industrial School for Girls at Mitch-
ellville.

It is alleged in the bill that the
governor made libelous statements
concerning John Cowrie, former chair-
man of the state board of control, in
an article published in the Des Moines
Capital of May 24, in which the gov-
ernor set forth at length his reasons
for demanding the resignation of Mr.
Cowrie.

Still There.
"I suppose," began the inquiring
summer visitor engagingly, "that the
wealth in this part of New Hampshire
is in the soil?"

The native regarded the shining
blade of his scythe reflectively.

"I reckon it is," he mildly assented.
"I don't know anybody hereabouts
that ever got any out of it."—Youth's
Companion.

His Preference.
The skimpy novel I abhor,
For I am thrifty
And want a lot of reading for
My dollar fifty.
—Louisville Courier-Journal.

And when that bulky book you've got,
With careful spending,
The tale will have, as like as not,
A tragic ending.
—Chicago Tribune.

THE MARKETS

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, July 21.
Hogs—Receipts 14,000. Quotations
ranged at \$8.60@8.70 choice heavy,
\$8.85@9.00 choice light, \$8.00@8.25
heavy packing, and \$8.50@9.00 good to
choice pigs.

Cattle—Receipts 6,500. Quotations
ranged at \$8.15@8.60 choice to prime
steers, \$4.75@6.00 good to choice beef
cows, \$5.75@6.75 good to choice heif-
ers, \$5.25@5.75 selected feeders, \$4.50
@5.00 good to choice stockers, \$4.40
@4.75 good to choice calves.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts 15,000.
Quotations ranged at \$7.00@7.50 good
to choice lambs, \$4.00@4.35 good to
choice wethers, \$3.75@4.00 good to
choice ewes.

Potatoes.
New potatoes, choice to fancy, 63@
65c; fair to good, 58@60.

Omaha Live Stock.
Cattle—Receipts 2,800 head; market
steady, strong; native steers, \$4.75
@7.75; cows and heifers, \$3.25@5.75;
western steers, \$3.50@6.25; Texas
steers, \$3.00@5.00; cows and heifers,
\$2.75@4.85; canners, \$2.50@3.25;
stockers and feeders, \$3.25@5.75;
calves, \$4.00@7.00; bulls, stags, etc.,
\$3.25@5.25.

Hogs—Receipts 9,600 head; market
5@10c higher; heavy, \$8.10@8.45;
mixed, \$8.20@8.40; light, \$8.45@8.75;
pigs, \$7.50@8.00; bulk of sales, \$8.15
@8.50.

Sheep—Receipts 9,300 head; market
10@15c higher; yearlings, \$4.00@5.10;
wethers, \$3.25@4.00; ewes, \$2.50@
3.65; lambs, \$6.25@7.15.

East Buffalo Live Stock.

East Buffalo, N. Y., July 21.
Dunning and Stevens, Live Stock Com-
mission Merchants, East Buffalo, N. Y.,
quote as follows: Cattle—Receipts
8 cars; market dull. Hogs—Receipts
25 cars; market slow; heavy, \$8.60@
8.80; Yorkers, \$9.00@9.25; pigs, \$9.50.
Sheep—Receipts 4 cars; market
strong; best lambs, \$7.25@7.50; year-
lings, \$5.00@6.00; wethers, \$5.00@5.15;
ewes, \$4.00@4.15. Calves, \$5.00@
10.25.

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E. P. HONAN.

Farm Loans—Jasper Guy of Rem-
ington makes farm loans at 5 per
cent interest with no commission but
office charges. Write him. tf

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Spices and Extracts—Watch for
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For Sale—An elegant B-flat, Beau
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time and as good as new. Inquire
at The Democrat office.

Fat Stock Wanted—Am in the
market at all times for fat cattle,
hogs, sheep, veal calves, etc., and
pay the top market price. Write
or phone me (No. 70-D, Mt. Ayr
exchange) before selling.—J. N.
BICKNELL, Mt. Ayr, Ind.

For Sale—Handsome brass chan-
delier, three lamp with colored
globes, raises and lowers by press-
ing a spring, cost \$20; just the
thing for a country home parlor or
sitting room. Have electric lights
and do not need it, will sell at a
bargain. Inquire at this office.

Typewriters For Sale—Eight or ten
Italian Job Cases, full size and almost
good as new, 50 cents each; 1 two-
thirds case, good as new, 50c.—THE
DEMOCRAT, Rensselaer, Ind.

Money—Some loan companies are
refusing to make farm loans at the
present time. My company is still
loaning at 5 per cent. If you are
going to need a loan make applica-
tion at once, as money is scarce.—
JOHN A. DUNLAP, I. O. O. F.
Building.

Where Trouble Begins.

Most people ignore constipation
at first. When they are lashed by in-
digestion's pangs, yellow jaundice,
virulent liver trouble, they desper-
ately wish they had taken Dr. King's
New Health Tea early and cured
themselves. For Liver, Stomach and
Kidneys, it's supreme. 25c at A. F.
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