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PROPOSED LIBEL BILL.

AUTHORIZING THE CONSOLIDATION OF ACTIONS FOR LIBEL AND EVIDENCE THEREIN.

Suggested That While Injustice of Annie Oakley Cases Is Fresh in Memory Is Good Time to Urge Adoption of Some Such Measure—Draft of Bill Which Is Essentially a Copy of Law That Has Long Been in Force in England.

The famous "Annie Oakley" cases have called sharp attention to a defect in the libel laws of the United States.

Mrs. Annie Butler, as the plaintiff in these cases is known in private life, has brought some forty-seven suits against various publishers over the country claiming damages ranging from \$5,000 to \$50,000. The total amount of such damages claimed is \$1,020,200.

These actions are all founded upon the same news item, an unfortunate story which originated in Chicago a year ago last August, the details of which are now well known. Yet each of these cases is tried as if it was the only case the plaintiff had brought, the courts holding that the defendant is not entitled to put in evidence the fact that similar suits have been brought against other newspapers. Under these circumstances, it is not surprising that juries render verdicts, which, taken in the aggregate, are likely to become a scandal to the jurisprudence of this country.

Now in England the inequity of this situation was long ago recognized. The Law of Libel amendment act, passed in 1888 (51 and 52 Vict., Chap. 64), provides two remedies. The court is authorized, upon an application by or on behalf of two or more defendants in actions in respect to the same, or substantially the same, libel brought by one and the same person, to make an order for the consolidation of such actions so that they can be tried together.

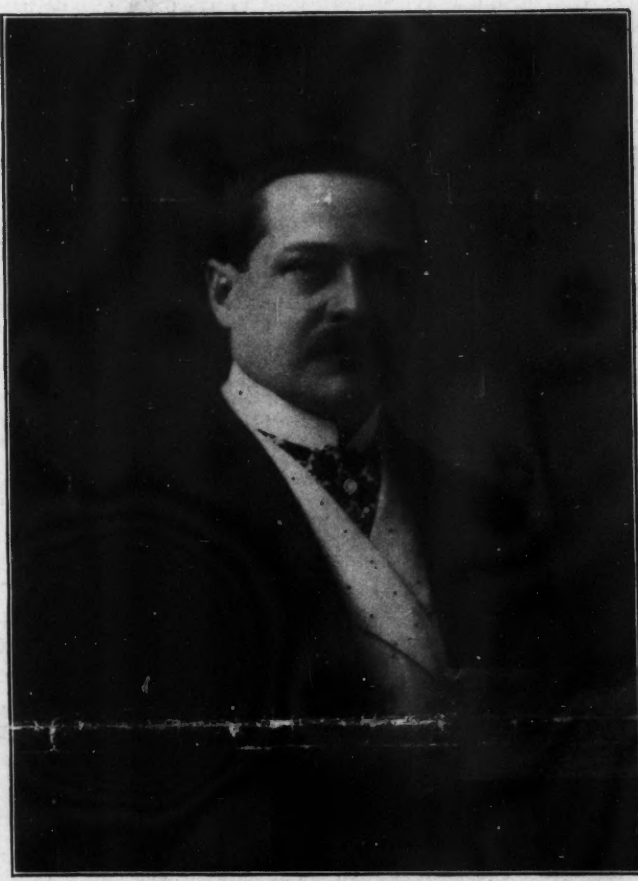
In the consolidated action the jury is to assess the whole amount of the damages, if any, in one sum and then is to apportion the same against the several defendants. The costs are also to be apportioned (Section 5.)

It also provides that at the trial of an action for libel, the defendant may also prove, in mitigation of damages, that the plaintiff has already recovered, or has brought actions for, damages, or has received, or agreed to receive, compensation in respect of a libel or libels to the same purport or effect as the libel for which such action has been brought (Section 6.)

These provisions have proved very valuable to newspaper proprietors. Any one who is desirous of studying the occasion for, and the results of, this legislation is referred to "Fraser on the Law of Libel and Slander," pages 169, 173, and to "Clerk & Lindsell on the Law of Torts," page 545.

The merits of such a law are so obvious as to be apparent on a mere statement of the case, and it is suggested that while the memory of these "Annie Oakley" suits is still fresh in the minds of American publishers that legislation should be secured in each of the States,

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GUSTAV MAYER. (See page 5.)
PRESIDENT OF THE GERMAN DAILY GAZETTE OF PHILADELPHIA.

ASSOCIATED DAILIES.

THOSE OF OHIO REPRESENTED AT MEETING LAST WEEK IN COLUMBUS.

Discussion of Problems of Practical Concern to Publishers—Printers' Scale and Eight-Hour Day Considered—Provision for Codification of State Laws—Talk on Concerted Economy—Support Guaranteed Fellow Publisher in Contempt Case.

The twentieth annual meeting of the Associated Dailies of Ohio was held last week at Columbus, with John T. Mack, of the Sandusky Register, president of the organization, in the chair. This is an association that gets down to business and wastes no time on matters that are not of great practical concern to publishers.

The wage scale for printers and the eight-hour day was one of the first questions that came up for discussion. It was suggested that the International Typographical Union should make a different scale which would take into consideration the relative size of the cities in which it operates, thereby making it more equitable to all classes of publishers. R. B. Brown, of the members of the association might as well make up their minds that the eight-hour system had come to stay, and the sooner they learned this, the better it would be for them. He advised that the members join the American Newspaper Publishers' Association, which has an arbitration agreement with the International Typographical Union.

In the reports of the association Malcolm Jennings, of the legislative committee, said that no legislation inimical to the interests of the members had been passed, although several objectionable measures were pending. The joint committee on codification of laws governing legal publication recommended that President John T. Mack and Secretary L. H. Brush have the laws codified and printed at once. Methods of keeping accounts, making collections, and the use of collection agencies also were discussed.

A. W. Glessner, of the Galena (Ill.) Gazette, president of the Inland Daily Press Association, addressed the publishers. He explained how the organization of which he is president, and which consists of sixty members, had saved \$4,000 in one year in the purchase of news print paper and of ink.

The publishers discussed with considerable feeling the case of Col. D. D. Taylor, of the Guernsey Times at Cambridge, who told of his arraignment and trial for contempt of court, because he had said in his paper, after a certain verdict had been rendered, that he did not believe the prisoner had had a fair trial. At the suggestion of Gen. Brown, of Zanesville, President Mack appointed a committee of three to assist Col. Taylor, should the judge who heard the contempt proceedings decide against him, and to take the case to the highest court.

Many of the publishers accepted an invitation of the National Cash Register Company to visit its plant at Dayton. It was decided to hold the summer meet-

BINGHAMTON PRESS CHANGES.

New Business Manager and Managing Editor of the Kilmer Paper.

Several changes took place this week on the staff of the Binghamton (N. Y.) Evening Press, the paper established some nine months ago by Willis Sharpe Kilmer and his father, Jonas M. Kilmer, proprietors of Swampfoot.

Col. Charles E. Hasbrook, who has been business manager of the Press since it was started, has left the paper and is succeeded by George Salmon, who has been with the Kilmers for many years. Francis W. Clark, managing editor, has also resigned and is succeeded by Zoltan A. Stegmuller, formerly of the Binghamton Chronicle, who has recently been a reporter on the Press staff.

Mr. Clark goes to take a responsible editorial position on a paper in Cleveland. He started his newspaper work on the Binghamton Republican and then became editor of the Sunday Times. After leaving Binghamton he went to the Buffalo Courier, where he worked himself up from reporter to managing editor. His good work on the Press shows that he is well qualified for the new position which he has been called to fill.

Transferred to Evening Field.

The Anderson (S. C.) Daily Mail has been changed from a morning to an evening paper. The Mail is published by G. P. Browne.

NORFOLK PUBLIC LEDGER SOLD.

S. L. Slover and H. L. Wilson, of Newport News Times-Herald, Purchasers.

The Norfolk (Va.) Public Ledger was sold last week to S. L. Slover and Harvey L. Wilson, of the Newport News Times-Herald. The price paid is not stated, but it is understood that the sum involved was about \$50,000.

Mr. Slover said that the sale was simply a business transaction and had no political significance whatever. Both Mr. Wilson and he will move to Norfolk and conduct the Public Ledger as an enterprising afternoon newspaper. They will retain control of the Newport News Times-Herald, but the details of the management will be left in the hands of P. T. Marshall, who has been cashier of that paper.

Messrs. Slover and Wilson have been connected with the Times-Herald for several years. Mr. Wilson was for many years Washington correspondent of the Richmond Times, was later connected with the Richmond Leader, and then became one of the controlling spirits in establishing the Richmond News.

Application has been made for a charter for the Norfolk-Newport News Publishing Company with the following officers: President, S. L. Slover; vice-president, Harvey L. Wilson; secretary-treasurer, P. T. Marshall.

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ing of the association at Cedar Point.

All the old officers were re-elected, John T. Mack being chosen president for the eighteenth consecutive time. The other officers are: Vice-president, G. W. C. Perry, Chillicothe Register; secretary, L. H. Brush, East Liverpool Review; treasurer, J. P. Chew, Xenia Gazette. Executive committee—B. J. Taylor, Warren Chronicle; J. R. Alexander, Zanesville Signal; Frank Harper, Mt. Vernon Banner.

The following were named as delegates to the convention of the National Editorial Association: F. M. Reitzel of Warren; D. D. Taylor, Cambridge; L. H. Brush, East Liverpool; F. A. Hoiles, Alliance; F. A. Rowley, Lorain; E. B. Cappellar, Mansfield; W. O. Hittick, Zanesville; B. J. McKinney, Marietta, and Malcolm Jennings, Lancaster.

The different papers of the Associated Ohio Dailies are represented by J. T. Mack, Sandusky; L. H. Brush, East Liverpool; O. B. Selfridge, Lima; O. H. Pierson, Newark; M. T. Frazier, Mansfield; G. W. C. Perry, Chillicothe; Lieut. Gov. Harding, Marion; H. C. Vortriede, Toledo; W. S. Croy, Troy; Malcolm Jennings and H. K. Beck, Lancaster; L. A. Culbertson, Mt. Vernon; Thomas D. Wallace, Springfield; J. N. Patterson, Defiance; S. A. Canary, Bowling Green; Frank Harper, Mt. Vernon; W. T. Amos, Sidney; George I. Woner, Painesville; Leo Hirsh, Columbus; R. B. Brown, Zanesville; Lee J. Roehuck, Bellefontaine; W. D. Littick, Zanesville; C. Haverstick, Massillon; W. H. Stoutt, Ulrichsville; J. P. Hopley, Bucyrus; J. H. Spencer, Newark; J. R. Alexander, Zanesville; F. A. Hoiles, Alliance; G. E. Wood, Bellevue; S. J. Flickinger, Dayton; W. M. Miller, Springfield; W. T. Alberson, New Philadelphia; Lamkni & Burrell, Norwalk; John Amos, Cambridge; Republican-Gazette, Lima; J. S. Wilson, Ashtabula; C. E. Hard, Portsmouth; A. Howell, Bowling Green; George Holbrand, Ashland; J. M. Williams, Marietta; C. B. McCoy, Coshocton; Homer Gard, Hamilton; A. C. Dickinson, Newark; E. B. Cappellar, Mansfield; Ben. J. McKinney and A. B. Alderman, Marietta; E. C. Dix, Wooster; E. W. McCormick, Xenia; H. C. Thompson, Delaware; D. D. Taylor, Cambridge; T. A. Rowley, Lorain; Lora L. Lambon, Alliance; B. J. Taylor, Warren; A. L. Sedgwick, Martins Ferry; Mrs. Zell P. Hart, Warren; M. W. Daniels, Cleveland; William F. Maag, Youngstown; H. A. Eoff, Toledo; Ed Wetzler, Lancaster; George F. Hunter, Chillicothe; J. I. Gorman, Ironton.

Oneida May Have a Daily.

It is reported that a stock company is being formed at Oneida, N. Y., with \$15,000 capital, for the purpose of establishing a daily there. It will be an afternoon paper and will have the support of the county and city Republican organizations, which are understood to have had differences with the two local Republican organs. Oneida now has nothing but weekly papers, two semi-weeklies having recently adopted that form. It is thought by the promoters of the new venture that there is a field for a publication of more frequent issue.

Salem News Office Burned.

The Salem (Mass.) News suffered a heavy loss in the fire last Tuesday which destroyed the Peabody Building, of which the News occupied the basement and part of each of the three stories. George G. Putnam, of the News, lost a rare and valuable collection of scrap-books pertaining to local historical record that it will be difficult to replace. The News will be issued temporarily from the office of the Gazette.

Iowa Daily Sold.

The Creston (Ia.) Evening Advertiser has been sold to Paul Junkin, of Corning, Ia., who will move to Creston and take charge of the property. The price paid is said to have been \$20,000.

PRESS CLUB'S ANNUAL DINNER.

President Roosevelt and Mgr. Falconio Accept Invitations to Be Present.

Elaborate arrangements are being made for the annual dinner of the New York Press Club, which will be held at the Hotel Astor on Feb. 13. President Roosevelt and His Excellency Monsignor Falconio, Apostolic Delegate at Washington, have sent formal acceptances of the invitation to be present.

Among others who will be guests are: The Count Cassini, Russian Ambassador; Gov. Robert M. La Follette, of Wisconsin; Representative David A. DeArmond, of Missouri; Senator Chauncey M. Depew; Representative John Lind, former Governor of Minnesota; Admiral Joseph B. Coghlan, and Commander Robert E. Peary. Probable guests, who have accepted provisionally, are: The Right Hon. Sir Wilfred Laurier, Premier of Canada; William L. Douglas, Governor of Massachusetts, and Joseph A. Folk, Governor of Missouri.

There will be an entertainment by noteworthy artists. The accommodations in the main room of the Astor are limited to 400, and no application for tickets after this figure has been reached will be honored.

VANDERCOOK IN NEW YORK.

Change in Publishers Press and Scripps-McRae Foreign Bureau.

John Vandercook, who founded and for six years managed the Publishers Press and Scripps-McRae European news service, was on Feb. 1 transferred to New York as assistant to President J. B. Shale of the Publishers Press.

J. W. T. Mason, son of John A. Mason, of New York, for five and a half years assistant in the London bureau, becomes European manager. Mr. Mason is considered one of the ablest young American newspaper men in Europe.

War Correspondent's Experiences.

Robert L. Dunn, of Mount Vernon, N. Y., who was the special correspondent for Collier's Weekly at Korea during its invasion by the Japanese in the months of January, February and March of last year, entertained a large and appreciative audience of newspaper working men at the New York Press Club on Thursday evening of last week, when in an informal and colloquial manner he detailed his many experiences in Korea. The hundred or more pictures reproduced by him by means of stereoptican views showed the manners and customs of the native Koreans as well as the invading Japanese. Some views of the retreating Russians snapped by the lecturer during his explorations through the Far East were also shown. Mr. Dunn's accounts of his numerous imprisonments, the frequent destruction of his notes and plates, and the other stories of his exciting experiences made it a most entertaining lecture.

California Editors Discuss Legislation.

The executive committee of the California Press Association at a recent meeting in the office of Alfred Holman, editor and publisher of the Sacramento Union, decided to introduce a bill in the present session of the Legislature, amending the law passed two years ago, specifying what constitutes a newspaper of general circulation. Other matters of legislation were also discussed, and another bill may be introduced later. Those present at the meeting were President F. W. Richardson, editor of the Berkeley Gazette; G. M. Francis, editor of the Napa Register; F. B. Daniels, editor of the Oakland Enquirer; E. B. Willis, editor of the Placer Republican, of Auburn; R. H. Jury, editor of the San Mateo Leader; S. H. Olmsted, editor of the San Rafael Register.

GLOBE'S FIRST ANNIVERSARY.

Enterprising New York Paper Completes First Year Under New Name.

The New York Globe last Wednesday celebrated its first anniversary under its present name. It was on Feb. 1, 1904, that the title of the Commercial Advertiser, of 107 years' standing, was changed to the Globe and the price reduced from two cents to one. In the year just passed, the paper, under the new order of things, has made a circulation growth that has been most remarkable. Of the old Commercial Advertiser the people were buying daily about 20,000 copies at two cents. On the day the change went into effect 75,000 copies of the Globe were sold, and three months later the 100,000 mark was reached. During the last five months it is claimed the circulation has averaged 125,000 daily, with an average of 128,246 in January. The Globe gave a practical feature to its anniversary celebration by announcing that it had added another Hoe octuple press to its battery, which will help care for the rapidly growing circulation.

The Globe and Commercial Advertiser is the oldest newspaper in New York city, the first number bearing the name of Commercial Advertiser having appeared on Oct. 2, 1797. The paper really began life, however, in 1793, when it was called the Minerva.

Last Wednesday the Globe printed two pages of letters from some of the most prominent men of the country complimenting the paper on its proud history and on the enterprise it has displayed during the past year as a popular priced, yet clean and high class, journal.

GRIDIRON CLUB'S DINNER.

President Roosevelt Witnesses the Inauguration of Maj. Carson.

President Roosevelt, the members of the Cabinet, Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, prominent senators and representatives, foreign ambassadors, and leading men in the realms of finance and railroad were entertained last Saturday night at the annual winter dinner of the Gridiron Club, of Washington.

It was the twentieth annual dinner of the Club, and Maj. John M. Carson, correspondent of the New York Times, the first president of the club, was again installed in that office. The installation gave an opportunity for a hurlesque on the inauguration of the president of the United States, which President Roosevelt thoroughly enjoyed.

On account of the mania for impeachment in Congress it was decided to impeach Speaker Cannon. Senator Gorman prosecuted the case, and the Speaker pleaded to the charges. Among these were being in contempt of the Senate, and "standing pat" in more ways than one. The most weighty count, perhaps, was the "smoke nuisance." The Speaker was adjudged guilty.

One of the hits of the evening was a one act tragedy entitled "Frenzied Finance," in which were introduced as principal characters a bank president, a business man, a broker, Mrs. Chadwick, Thomas W. Lawson, Col. Greene, a railroad president, bank directors and lambs. The big news stories of the past few months were successfully reproduced much to the delight of the guests.

Davenport Company Incorporates.

The Star Publishing Company of Davenport, Ia., has been incorporated with capital stock of \$50,000 by Martin H. Bassett, Emery Andrews and Urley Fitzpatrick. The company is the successor of the Tri-City Star and the Davenport Republican. It will engage in the publication of a morning newspaper.

VISIT THE BROOKLYN EAGLE.

Representatives of New York Dailies Inspect the New Plant.

The Brooklyn Eagle on Friday of last week entertained a number of representatives of the big New York dailies at a luncheon served in the Hamilton Club and then took them to inspect the new plant of the Eagle.

Those present were: Herman Ridder, Staats Zeitung; Louis Wiley, New York Times; A. W. Dodsworth, Journal of Commerce, Warren M. Scudder, Newark News; H. N. Kellogg, Tribune; Edward P. Call, New York Commercial; Col. Diehl, Associated Press; J. E. Hardenberg, City News Association; William Holmes, Jr., New York Press; J. A. Dear, Jersey City Journal; W. J. Pattison, Evening Post; Don C. Seitz and J. A. Altscheler, New York World; F. H. Pierson, New York Herald; Lindsay Denison, New York Sun; J. C. Cook and T. E. Niles, Evening Mail; N. S. Cohen, Das Morgen Journal; William Hester, H. V. Hester, St. Clair McKelway, H. F. Gunnison and Gilbert Evans, Brooklyn Eagle.

Before the party left the Hamilton Club Col. William Hester, president of the Eagle, welcomed the visitors. He said that when planning the new building, representatives of the paper had been treated with great courtesy by other newspapers in Manhattan and elsewhere in those investigations which were necessary before deciding upon details of construction and equipment, and the Eagle was glad to offer the same assistance to other newspapers.

Dr. McKelway and Mr. Gunnison also spoke briefly, and then the party went to the Eagle Building.

The New York Sun describes what they saw there, as follows:

"From the art department on the top floor to the press rooms in the basement, there were pointed out the latest devices which human ingenuity has applied to getting out a newspaper quickly and completely.

"Some of the things which set the visitors to muttering with admiration and envy were the proof carriers in the composing room, which pick up proofs and lug them around automatically to the proper desks, doing away with the noise and confusion of printers' devils; the remarkable development of the obituary department, where the staff has the sins and virtues of every Brooklyn citizen and many others at its fingers' ends at a second's notice; the arrangement of the city editor's room, where the city editor has all his subordinate editors within arm's length, and all his reporters under his eye, where every reporter has a typewriter and a telephone at his elbow, to say nothing of a fastened down chair which no office boy can lug off and lose while the reporter's back is turned, the pressroom, with its brass sliding poles by which the pressmen can slip from one floor to another like firemen when the hell rings, with small piston elevators to shoot them back again, and with its new paper reel device which slips a roll of paper weighing many hundred pounds into place on a press with little more than slackening of speed.

"Beside all these things the visitors found club rooms, libraries and shower baths for the employes, and general information bureaus for the public which were in themselves elaborate enough for a separate establishment."

Editors Cited for Contempt.

R. A. Crothers and Fremont Older, proprietor and managing editor, respectively, of the San Francisco Bulletin, have been cited for contempt of court by Judge Cook for publishing reflections on his judicial course. The criticism was directed particularly at the bail bond exacted of women taken in grand jury raids. The petitions for writs of habeas corpus are still pending, and on the ground that the publication interfered, therefore, with the administration of justice, the newspaper men were cited.

FLINGS AT THE PRESS.

Evening Post Pays Its Respects to Those High in Public Office Who Flinch at the Lime-Light.

On the recent activities of big public officials against the free criticisms of the newspapers, the New York Evening Post comments as follows:

"Hits at the Newspapers," was one of the headlines describing the annual message of Gov. Yates, of Illinois. That now retired official is but one of several men in public station who have recently been girding the press. Gov. Yates had obvious reasons for virtuous indignation at the public prints of the State which, had for two years persistently misled and misinformed the people, since the frustration of his political ambitions was largely due to frank exposure of his conduct in office by the newspapers. To the fulminations of Gov. Pennypacker of Pennsylvania against a press audacious and malicious enough to make fun of his solemn high nightiness, it is necessary to pay only the tribute of a passing laugh. Pennypacker has taken such pains to write himself down a freak that it would be absurd to reason about his actions as if they were those of normal man. Speaker Nixon, at Albany, however, is not of that fantastic order; and his allusion to troublesome correspondents of the press is more of the style of Gov. Yates. There seems, in fact, to be a good deal of nervousness about newspapers, and resentment at their activities, on the part of many of our great ones. From White House to City Hall the complaints have extended.

"Be it noted that the objections are not levelled at the real joints in the newspaper barns. It is not vulgarity, or pruriency, or intolerable meddling in private affairs, or unsettling sensationalism, or irresponsibility, or reckless inventions, against which these official censors protest. No; what rouses their anger is that the press makes such persistent and successful use of publicity in regard to public men and measures. What, attack our motives? Render us ridiculous? Pick flaws in our bills? Evidently, something is rotten in the Fourth Estate. This is the gravamen. The 'diffusive gentlemen of the press,' as John Morley calls them, become aware of what is going on behind the scenes at Albany or Harrisburg or Springfield or Washington, and, faith, they'll prevent it. Hence the pain and celestial wrath of our dwellers in the Olympus of officialdom.

"Now, we have often had occasion, by precept and (we hope) by example, to take up our parable against the demoralized and demoralizing press; but in this matter of keeping vigilant watch over the elected servants of the people, and of offering a free vent to popular feeling and demand, we think the run of our newspapers perform a true service. It is the more essential, the stronger the political machine. As bosses multiply, and the party organization becomes more powerful and intolerant, there would be small check upon their creatures in office, did not the press constitute itself a sort of exigent constituency for them all, daily demanding an account of their stewardship. In so far as official railing at newspapers springs from dislike of that function of theirs, it singles out a matter really deserving of praise, not blame.

"Most editors, we presume, have left off talking oracularly, with Mr. Pott of the Eatanswill Gazette, of 'the enormous power of the press.' It is no longer necessary to assume that its favor is life or its frown deadly. But if it cannot directly sway masses of men, it can at least serve as an accurate record of their political hopes and fears. It can register public opinion, if it cannot formulate it. It can go to those in authority and tell them what the people want. On the other hand, it can tell the people what their chosen lawmakers and rulers are doing. All these, if they are not Jove-like prerogatives, are still most useful services in a Republic; and of the humblest newspaper that honestly strives to

perform them, the community may truthfully say that it 'serves in offices that profit us.'

"Recent events in other lands as well as here, have put beyond reasonable dispute the value of the press as an agent of publicity. In New York, we have seen newspaper discussion force the city government to execute a complete right-about. It is safe to say that, but for the inquiries, the proddings, the exposures, the remonstrances of the press, Comptroller Trout and Commissioner Oakley, with the Mayor's approval, would have gone joyfully on their way, and the lighting monopoly would have been firmly strapped upon the city's back. And if we lift up our eyes to troubled Russia at this moment, how significant is the instinct of tyrannical repression in muzzling the press. Napoleon III. did not make greater or more tell-tale baste in suppressing Charivari after his coup d'etat than a French writer and publicist, M. Bonal, who has put the truth in concise form: 'Grant that a State may be disturbed by what newspapers say, yet it perishes if they are allowed to say nothing.' The press, like every other human institution, is open to criticism; if it is wise, it will give heed to intelligent objections and complaints, and will mend its manners and its morals alike; but it will receive the oburgations of delinquent officials as a welcome sign that it is rightly playing the part which Romilly assigned to an untrammelled and plain-spoken newspaper in a free country."

HEARING IN METCALFE CASE.

Critic Charges Theatrical Managers With Conspiracy in Excluding Him.

James S. Metcalfe, dramatic editor and critic of Life, appeared last Wednesday before Magistrate Pool in the Tombs Police Court and swore to a complaint alleging conspiracy on the part of the New York Theatrical Managers' Association to prevent him from pursuing his occupation as critic, by barring him from their theatres. Mr. Metcalfe was accompanied by John A. Mitchell, publisher of Life, who also swore to the complaint. Later Mr. Metcalfe was questioned in the district attorney's office by Assistant District Attorney Krotel. A number of managers who had been subpoenaed as witnesses were also examined by Mr. Krotel.

The proceeding arises out of the resolution passed some weeks ago by the Theatrical Managers' Association, excluding Mr. Metcalfe from their theatres. Mr. Metcalfe attempted to enter the Lyceum Theatre one night last week on tickets he had purchased and was prevented from doing so by the doorkeeper, who is said to have used force in keeping him out.

Officers of Richmond News Leader.

At the recent annual meeting of the stockholders of the Richmond (Va.) News Leader, the following directors were re-elected: E. L. Bemiss, E. Randolph Williams, Langbourne M. Williams, Alfred B. Williams and R. Lancaster Williams. At a meeting of the directors the following officers were elected: Alfred B. Williams, president; E. L. Bemiss, vice-president; Leland Rankin, secretary and business manager, and Langbourne Williams, treasurer.

A Growing Magazine.

The Rooftree Magazine at Bridgeport, Conn., which was started last May claims its circulation is increasing at the rate of 8,000 a month. It has just taken possession of a plant of its own and installed a Cottrell press. The Rooftree Publishing Company is incorporated with \$100,000 capital stock and with H. H. Johnson as president and treasurer, F. S. Buckingham as secretary, and H. E. Streck, of New York, as vice-president. The magazine sells for ten cents a year.

A new Democratic paper has been started a Perry, Ia., called the Journal.

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similar to that which was adopted long ago in England. Accordingly, J. C. Harper, a prominent attorney at Cincinnati who has made a specialty of libel litigation, has drawn up the following bill, which is a substantial copy of Sections 5 and 6 of the English act above referred to, for the use of publishers who desire to urge the adoption of some such measure in their respective States:

A BILL

Authorizing the Consolidation of Actions for Libel and Evidence Therein.

Be it enacted by the—of the State of—as follows:

Section 1. Upon an application by, or on behalf of, two or more defendants in actions in respect of the same, or substantially the same, libel brought by one and the same person, the court may make an order for the consolidation of such actions so that they shall be tried together; and after such an order has been made, and before the trial of the said actions, the defendants in any new actions instituted in respect to the same, or substantially the same, libel shall also be entitled to be joined in a common action upon a joint application being made by such new defendants and the defendants in the actions already consolidated.

Section 2. In a consolidated action under the above section the jury shall assess the whole amount of the damages (if any) in one sum, but a separate verdict shall be taken for or against each defendant in the same way as if the actions consolidated had been tried separately; and if the jury shall have found a verdict against the defendant or defendants in more than one of the actions so consolidated, they shall proceed to apportion the amount of damages which they shall have so found between and against the said last mentioned defendants; and if the plaintiff recovers costs, the trial judge shall make such order as he shall deem just for the apportionment of such costs between and against such defendants.

Section 3. At the trial of an action for libel, the defendant shall be at liberty to give in evidence in mitigation of damages that the plaintiff has already recovered (or has brought actions for) damages, or has received or agreed to receive compensation, in respect of a libel or libels to the same purport or effect as the libel for which such action has been brought.

Boston Newspaper Artists Organize.

The newspaper artists of Boston met last week and formed an organization to be known as the Society of Designers and Illustrators. The objects are to facilitate the interchange of ideas, to promote social intercourse, to hold lectures, to stimulate public interest through exhibitions, and to secure more beneficial copyright laws. A headquarters with an information bureau will be opened. These officers were elected: President, Harry C. Whorf; vice-presidents, William Jenkins, George A. Clarke; treasurer, Edwin L. Moore; secretary, Louis R. Linscott. Directors—One year, Bert Poole, E. B. Bird, W. S. Tarbox; two years, H. C. Goehl, Paul Brown, W. B. Brown, Jr. Membership committee—Arthur Rohn, H. A. Dennison, Eben H. Snow.

North Star Editors Meet.

The North Star Daily Press Association at its annual meeting held at St. Paul, elected the following officers: President, H. L. Plumley, Fargo (N. D.) Forum; vice-president, C. E. Wise, Mankato (Minn.) Review; secretary, W. E. Easton, Stillwater (Minn.) Gazette; treasurer, J. E. Jerrand, St. Cloud (Minn.) Journal-Press; S. E. Thies, special representative for the Twin Cities and Chicago; W. H. Maxwell, Eastern representative. Ben. B. Hampton, the New York advertising agent, was one of the principal speakers at the meeting.

GOVERNOR TO EDITORS.

Hanly Appeals to Indiana Republican Newspaper Men to Support Reforms.

Gov. Hanly was the principal speaker at the twenty-eighth annual banquet of the Indiana Republican Editorial Association, which took place one night last week at Indianapolis. After paying an eloquent tribute to the power of the press, Gov. Hanly said:

"I ask you now, as members of the Indiana Republican Editorial Association, to help me attain those things that you have so recently told me you approve. If you would keep our rural districts and communities free from the contaminating influences of the liquor traffic stand with the administration and with me for the legislation that is now proposed. If you believe that the greed and avarice of transportation companies should be controlled by a commission that will have power to act, not merely to advise, exert the great power of your press on the side of the administration. If you believe that private banking institutions should be so regulated that there would be no possibility of the people being plundered, come to the aid of the administration. Without you the administration can do nothing; with you much. Expose the truth as it is."

John L. Griffiths in responding to the toast, "American Leadership," said the present troubles in Russia would never have arisen under an untrammelled press. The moral quality in American citizenship was upheld by the press, he said.

Walter S. Montgomery, of Greensfield, president of the association, presided at the banquet as toastmaster. Plates were laid for 110.

Editors Divide Honors.

J. W. Baker, editor of the Columbia City (Ind.) Commercial, who last November set up the claim that his rival, W. W. Williamson, editor of the Columbia City Mail, had been postmaster of that place long enough, has at last been heard by the powers at Washington. A deal between the editors has been patched up by their Congressman by which Baker becomes postmaster within the year, but surrenders in turn his editorship of the Commercial to the present postmaster, Mr. Williamson. Baker had the government job once before and lost it when Cleveland was elected in 1892. Then Williamson got it when McKinley was first elected and has held it ever since.

Burlington Gazette's Circulation Showing.

The Burlington (Ia.) Evening Gazette issues a folder containing some very convincing matter concerning the paper's circulation. There is also a map of Burlington and adjacent territory which the Gazette has for its own. The sworn circulation to bona fide subscribers during the month of December averaged 6,542, and for the last six months of 1904, 6,298. The Gazette accepts advertising upon a positive guarantee that it circulates more papers every day in Burlington and Des Moines county than all the other publications combined.

New Hampshire Editors Elect.

At the annual meeting of the New Hampshire Press Association held at Concord, the following officers were elected: President, Arthur E. Clarke, Manchester; vice-presidents, Howard F. Hill, Concord; Edgar J. Knowlton, Manchester; W. H. Topping, Manchester; recording secretary, John W. Bourlet, Concord; corresponding secretary, Sylvester C. Gould, Manchester; treasurer, Thomas W. Lane, Manchester. Executive committee—William C. Clarke, Manchester; Edward N. Pearson, Concord; Henry M. Putney, Manchester. Auditors—Edson C. Eastman, Concord; H. J. Rock, Concord.

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CONSOLIDATION OF LIBEL SUITS.

The only way to interest legislators in libel law reform, according to those who have given the closest attention to the matter, is to show that the injustice now being done the newspapers overshadows by far the injury to any other interest that might result from a change in legislation. This being so, the Annie Oakley cases should furnish the newspaper men some pretty good argument.

The plaintiff in these actions has brought suits against newspapers all over the country, claiming damages which aggregate over a million dollars, the actual damage sustained on account of the libel is a matter of opinion, but probably very few imagine that it amounts altogether to as much as is claimed against any one of the forty-seven newspapers sued. Nevertheless, each of these cases tried as if it was the only action the plaintiff had brought, and the jury is not allowed to take into consideration that other suits have been brought or that compensation has already been made for the injury originally done.

Now in England there is a law which provides that such actions may be consolidated and the damages assessed at a single trial. It is obvious that such a law is sorely needed in this country. It would be fair to all parties concerned, saving the newspapers the enormous expense of defending the separate suits, yet giving the plaintiff adequate damages and speedy satisfaction, without being bothered with the details of individual actions. It would also prevent in a large measure the despicable practice of unprincipled lawyers who bring suits on speculation. Such a law would not license newspapers to print libels, for it provides a quick and certain punishment therefor, yet it would protect them somewhat from the suits that arise out of unavoidable and unwitting errors—the only suits that the newspapers really fear.

A prominent attorney has drafted a bill patterned after the English act, which is printed elsewhere in this issue, for the consideration of publishers. It would be well if the passage of a national law of this kind could be secured, or if it could be passed by the Legislature of every State. If greater justice to all interests be the cardinal feature to be dwelt upon in urging libel law reform, it would surely seem that the law suggested for the consolidation of suits was a most admirable one with which to begin.

ITS EXCELLENT USES.

On the educational value of newspapers the Binghamton (N. Y.) Herald says:

"E. A. Georger, whoever he may be, has

made public the fact that he does not read the newspapers, as if it were an accomplishment of which to be proud. Newspapers are not to be classed among the best things in literature, but they are essential to the man who would be well informed. Newspapers grow better constantly. They grow more reliable, and it is almost impossible for a man to keep abreast of the times without a knowledge of the newspaper. He makes a mistake who thinks he can obtain an education from newspapers. That man is wise who reads both the newspapers and good books beside. Reading good books altogether may make a man intelligent in a certain way, but it will never bring him up to date. That newspapers serve a great educational purpose must be admitted by anybody who stops to consider their prevalence, and the eagerness with which they are bought. They have performed an important mission in the work of popular education even a child should know, and he who prides himself upon the fact that he never reads the newspapers is quite likely to be, in some degree at least, a silly ass."

RAISING PRICE OF WEEKLIES.

Michigan Editors Discuss Matter and Decide That It Is Advisable.

The matter of raising the prices of weekly papers was one of the principal topics of discussion at the recent meeting of the Michigan Press Association at Detroit. B. J. Lowrey, of the Howard City Record, said that \$1.50 a year was as cheap as any good weekly newspaper could be run, and he deprecated the fact that many publishers had reduced the price to \$1.

"The foe with which the weekly newspaper has to contend is the city daily," said Mr. Lowrey, "and this is due to rural free delivery. The weekly newspaper is too slow for the farmer in these progressive days, and he can get the daily cheaper than the man in the city. The farmer can get the daily for \$2, and the publisher of the weekly cannot successfully compete at that price. He must meet the difficulty upon a different basis."

A. L. Bemis, of the Carson City Gazette, said that he had experience in raising the price of his paper, and found that his advertising and subscription list did not fall off.

Will Holt, of the Bellevue Gazette, said that he encouraged the taking of daily papers; that he had many farmers on his list who took seven or eight papers, including a daily; that he never lost but one subscription by reason of the daily and that was a man who was two and one-half years in arrears for his weekly.

B. M. Browne, of Harbor Beach, said that the publishers in his vicinity had organized to raise the price of their weekly newspapers. They had also raised the price of advertising.

The meeting was presided over by President Newell of the Coldwater Courier.

SPOILING A STYLE.

Evening Post on the Graduate's Dread That Writing for Newspapers Will Vitiates His Taste—Compliments to Rhetoric Instructors.

A senior in one of our famous colleges, with an eye to employment after graduation, recently called at the office of the New York Evening Post. He was attracted by journalism, but his heart misgave him. "Will not writing for a newspaper," he asked, "ruin one's style?" On which the Evening Post comments as follows:

"It would have been cruel to shock him with the truth that no undergraduate possesses a style that can be ruined. The illusions of boyhood should be allowed to die a natural death. Nothing, we are sure, is a source of greater happiness to editors of college papers than the conviction that their exquisite English is far superior to the vulgar product of daily journalists. We sympathize thoroughly with the amateur's dread of that day when writing under pressure for sordid dollars shall vitiate his taste, shall make him so careless in choice of words and structure of sentences that he can no longer rank with Stevenson and Pater. We admire his lofty ideals, and we regret that he cannot dwell forever in such a paradise of preciosity as college journalism was when we still had a style to be spoiled.

"Yet there are, as we have intimated, certain fallacies into which undergraduates are sometimes led. They are likely to be deceived by the traditional exchange of courtesies between their professors of rhetoric and the busy editor. The conventional warnings against the horrors of journalistic style are, we regret to say, often taken too seriously by ardent disciples of learning. But we cannot blame the ingenuous lads. Those erudite lectures about mixed metaphors and other crimes against the mother tongue still haunt our own debilitated minds, together with visions of ivied walls, overarching elms, and other memories of irrevocable youth. The tale begins: 'Gentlemen, let me caution you once more against too much reading of newspapers. To fritter away your valuable time over the trivialities of the daily press will not only sap your intellectual vigor, but will hopelessly spoil your style. It was only last night that, in the short space of three hours, I found in the Driveller two split infinitives, a sentence that lacked unity, and a paragraph that violated every sound principle of construction. You, gentlemen, are unable to fully realize the had effects of such slovenly composition; but I venture to assert that the cheap style of our journalism is to-day the gravest menace to our culture.' That night we had not the effrontery to read the evening paper in the dining hall, but kept it for the seclusion of our room.

"The editor, who is so often accused of being less than human, is naturally provoked into rendering railing for railing. 'There is not,' he says in his haste, 'a teacher of composition who can write an interesting article. By a malign fate, the dullest writer in a college faculty is always chosen professor of rhetoric. He is pedantic and frigid, incapable of anything but quibbling and hair-splitting. I thank Heaven I have forgotten all he tried to teach me.'

"Both the professor and the editor, we regret to observe, have been betrayed into extreme utterances. The professor, as a matter of fact, turns to the newspaper as a relief from the appalling monotony of sophomore themes. Bad as the Driveller may be, it has not yet struck that level. And when he occasionally works an editorial or a book-review off on the enemy of culture, he is secretly pleased both with the check in payment and with the tribute to his literary skill, even from such a desperately incompetent judge as an editor. Then, too, he has the consolatory thought that he is elevating journalism, that he has made an oasis of unity, mass,

and coherence in a desert of solecisms. The editor, on the other hand, is grossly unjust. A professor of rhetoric may be a dull writer, but never the dullest in the faculty. In behalf of a noble calling we hotly resent any such insult. He may devote much energy to studying the niceties of style; but if he doesn't, who will? Your professional author is obviously too deeply engaged in his work to fuss about such minor matters. And, finally, to forget the professor's teaching would, as every editor knows, rob writing of its chief pleasure. Constructing sentences without unity and paragraphs without climax, wallowing in improprieties, would be the most tedious business in the world, were we not constantly exhilarated by the delicious flavor of forbidden fruit. To the doubting senior who will trust his pretty style to our rude mercies, we extend a hearty welcome. When he has written a subject to the dregs, sprawled over inordinate space, and buried his interesting points under a heap of dry detail, he will be vastly edified by the swiftness and precision with which the skilled copy-reader picks from the sad stuff the vital features, plays them up and throws away the rest. The senior himself will soon learn to display his salient facts in the opening sentences, to arrange paragraphs so that in a 'squeeze' on the 'make-up' the less important may be quickly dropped out, and to cut a tiresome story of two thousand words into one of five hundred that from beginning to end is alive. He will discover that there are many things never dreamt of in the philosophy of the theorist who at college corrected his themes in red ink; and if learning these lessons spoil one's style, his worst fears may be realized."

LOOKING BACKWARD.

What It Cost to Get Out a Daily Newspaper in 1838.

In a letter to the editor of the New York Times a correspondent calls attention to an interesting article which appeared in the New York Journal of Commerce nearly seventy years ago in which the editor favored his readers with an "approximate estimate of the equipment of a first class New York newspaper in 1838" by giving the following statement of the necessary "Apparatus for Editing and Publishing a Great London Newspaper," to wit:

"An editor with a yearly salary of from £600 to £1,000; a sub-editor with a yearly salary of from £400 to £600; from ten to fourteen regular reporters, paid from four to six guineas weekly.

"From thirty to thirty-five compositors in the printing office.

"Several persons to read and correct the proofs.

"A certain number of men and boys to attend the printing machine.

"A publisher and sub-publisher.

"A number of clerks in the office to receive advertisements and keep accounts.

"Various other individuals engaged in subordinate duties.

"The cost of reporting generally amounts to upward of £3,000 yearly.

"The salaries paid weekly to editors, reporters, and others do not fall short of £180.

"Add the expenses of occasional reporting, the cost of foreign correspondents, and the sums paid for expresses, &c., and the total expenditures can hardly be estimated under £13,000 per annum—About \$65,000."

Some New York dailies nowadays might be able to get along on that amount of expenditure each month, but they are not many.

New Manager of L'Opinion Publique.

Eugene L. Belisle, manager of L'Opinion Publique, the French daily published in Worcester, Mass., sailed on Jan. 7 for Europe. He retires from active service on the paper on account of poor health, and will spend the next four months in the south of France. C. Edmond Belisle, his brother, succeeds him as manager of L'Opinion Publique.

PERSONALS.

E. M. Ragland, editor of the Sheffield (Ala.) Standard, is a syndicate for mayor of that city.

William Maxwell, news editor of the Pall Mall Gazette, has just been appointed night news editor of the London Standard.

J. P. Baumgartner, late editor of the Pasadena (Cal.) Star, is now president of the Pasadena Investment Company, a real estate concern.

John J. MacIntyre, who for three years was editor of the Bayonne (N. J.) Daily Times, is now on the editorial staff of the New York Daily News.

J. A. Rominger, who has been connected with the St. Paul News for some months, is now manager of the Bloomfield (Ia.) News-Republican.

Formal announcement is made of the selection of Mandel Sener, a Baltimore newspaper man, as press agent of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad.

Dakers Cameron, of the Montreal Herald's staff, has been made secretary of the Montreal Branch of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association.

Harry W. Risley is now editor of the Fremont (Neb.) Herald, having succeeded N. W. Smalls, who goes to Lawton, Okla., where he has an interest in the Daily Constitution.

Charles A. Leedy has been made editor of the Labor Advocate at Youngstown, O., succeeding J. W. Slayton, who will now resume his work as organizer of the American Federation of Labor.

C. Berkeley Bryant, of the Santa Barbara (Cal.) News, was recently married to Miss Stella S. Emmons. The bride is the daughter of E. S. Emmons, who is also connected with the News.

Liberty Emory Holden, editor and proprietor of the Cleveland Plain Dealer, will address the Board of Trade of Springfield, Mass., on Feb. 15, on the general subject of "Municipal Improvements."

F. A. Miller, editor of the South Bend Tribune, was toastmaster at a banquet of South Bend merchants, manufacturers and other business men last Monday evening. The banquet was held at the suggestion of Mr. Miller, and is the outgrowth of his idea that the merchants, manufacturers and other business men of South Bend ought to get together socially at least once a year that they may become better acquainted and enjoy closer relations. It was given under the auspices of the South Bend Merchants' Association.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

The Smithville (Tex.) Enterprise made its appearance this week. W. M. Cobb is the editor.

The Del Rio (Tex.) Mirror is a new paper. A. H. Chapin is the editor and publisher.

The Rotary is the name of a new weekly paper at Humble, the Texas oil town.

The Independent Farmer is a new weekly paper at Durant, Okla.

The Warren (Ark.) Sun, published by Brook & Fortner, is a new paper.

A paper called the New Age will be started at Wallisville, Tex., by H. S. Williams, an experienced newspaper man.

The St. Mary's (Pa.) Enterprise is a new paper. F. A. Jacob is manager and Henry A. Parsens, Jr., is editor.

AUGUST S. SMITH DEAD.

One of Well-Known Family of Newspaper Men in New York State.

August S. Smith, one of the Smith brothers who founded the Syracuse Journal in 1839, died a few days ago at Marysville, Cal., aged 84 years.

After the fire that burned out the Journal plant, August S. Smith went to California and located at Auburn, where he established the Placer Press. In 1861 he went to Sacramento and edited the Record-Union and was later connected for a time with the Bee of that city. Then he went to Marysville, where for twenty-five years he was editor of the Appeal. He was a warm personal friend of Leland Stanford.

There were six Smith brothers and five of them were newspaper men, the other being an attorney. They exerted a powerful influence on the pioneer journalism of the Empire State.

Death of "Harry" Doe.

Henry Waldo Doe, for five years a member of the staff of the Newark (N. J.) Evening and Sunday News, died last week of pneumonia at his home in Newark, aged 34 years. He was a son of the late Charles H. Doe, for many years owner and editor of the Worcester (Mass.) Gazette. Mr. Doe was a member of the class of 1893 at Harvard and after leaving college, worked for some time on the Worcester Gazette. Upon going to the Newark News he soon won a place in the hearts of his associates on the newspaper. The News printed these verses in memoriam:

Great hearted, genial, gentle,
A faithful friend long proved,
Patient, modest, unselfish—
A man whom all men loved.

Wife of Well-Known Cartoonist Dead.

Mrs. Robert W. Satterfield, wife of the well-known cartoonist of the Newspaper Enterprise Association of Cleveland, died last Sunday after a five day illness following an operation for appendicitis. Before marriage she was Miss Alma Cryder, of Colorado Springs, Col.

OBITUARY NOTES.

A. M. Kelley, former Chief Justice of the International Court of Appeals at Cairo, Egypt, who died the other day at Beaujon, France, was the founder of the Norfolk Virginian, and was also editor of the Petersburg (Va.) Index and News. He was a native of New Jersey and was about 69 years old. He received his foreign appointment at the hands of President Cleveland.

Cornelius Musselman, editor of the Okmulgee (Okla.) Democrat, is dead.

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GUSTAV MAYER.

President of the German Daily Gazette Publishing Company of Philadelphia.

Gustav Mayer, president of the German Daily Gazette Publishing Company, has been associated with the Gazette ever since its birth in 1879. His father, the late Carl Theodore Mayer, was the founder of the paper, and at his death, which occurred in June, 1900, Gustav was made president of the company. For twelve years prior to that he had been business manager of the Gazette, and the rapid rise in popularity of the paper in the past sixteen years is sufficient evidence of his ability as a publisher.

Mr. Mayer was born in Williamsport, Pa., thirty-six years ago. He is aggressive, fearless and firm, but always affable and courteous. He has the up-to-date ideas of the wide-awake English newspaper publisher, being American in his mannerisms, but at the same time he is well versed in the likes and dislikes of his German readers, with whom, as was his father before him, he is very popular.

Under Mr. Mayer's guidance, during the past four years the Gazette has made the most rapid strides in its career, until to-day it is regarded as one of the leading German dailies in the country. Mr. Mayer is a firm believer in advertising, and as a result the Gazette frequently issues novel and attractive literature, one of its latest successes being a pretty almanac, with a very appropriate front piece in colors, entitled, "Always read by the well read."

The Southern Statesman is a new weekly at New Orleans. Aaron G. Davis, former editor of the Meridian Star, is editor and publisher.

SITUATIONS WANTED.

Four gate lines will be published one time free under this classification. 15 cents for each additional line.

FIRST CLASS DAILY WANTED.

I have increased by 50 per cent. the foreign advertising of the one large newspaper I represent. I am prepared to act as the direct representative in the East of one other first class daily only and solicit correspondence from publishers. "ADVERTISING GETTER," care THE EDITOR AND PUBLISHER.

YOUNG MAN

17 years of age, familiar with office work, filing, etc., and can also operate typewriter, would like position with general special agency or New York publisher, where there is a chance for advancement. Best of references. Address "F. K.," care THE EDITOR AND PUBLISHER.

EDITOR.

Editorship of country newspaper wanted by Washington correspondent experienced in all grades of newspaper work. Moderate salary. "J. W. G.," care THE EDITOR AND PUBLISHER.

NEWSPAPER MAN,

(College graduate), technically familiar with all departments of newspaper work, wishes position. All references furnished. Conversant with French, German, Spanish and Italian. Address "L. S.," care THE EDITOR AND PUBLISHER.

WANTED: TO REPRESENT

one or more A1 dailies in the Chicago field. Am thoroughly acquainted with the agencies, and rated as a business getter, and a hustler. If you wish to increase your revenue in this field, appoint interview; highest references. "A. R.," 822 133 La Salle street, Chicago.

METROPOLITAN EXPERIENCE.

Reporter with five years' metropolitan experience and one year's experience as managing editor of country daily, desires position. A business producer and a versatile writer. References. FRANK NEVIN, Elvira, O.

PROOFREADER.

Graduate German University, reads proof and translates correctly from and into eight languages, wants employment. Address, "PROOF-READER," care OF THE EDITOR AND PUBLISHER.

POSITION AS REPORTER,

two years' experience. "H. L. WESTCOTT," South Butler, N. Y.

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GOOD POSITIONS NOW OPEN

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PRESS FOR SALE.

We have for sale, at a bargain, one Scott 4 and 8-page perfecting press with stereotyping machinery. Prints 6, 7 and 8 columns. Address, CEDAR RAPIDS REPUBLICAN, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

COX DUPLEX ANGLE BAR PRESS

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THE ADVERTISING WORLD.

TIPS FOR BUSINESS MANAGERS.

J. C. Ayer, Lowell, Mass., is sending out some extra copy for spring advertising.

John Dampman, advertising agent, Reading, Pa., is asking rates on 520 inches.

The W. S. Hill Company, Pittsburg, is asking rates on 10,000 lines in metropolitan dailies.

Baker's Cod Liver Oil is being advertised in dailies through N. W. Ayer & Son, Philadelphia.

The Mayer Bros. Company, Cincinnati, is advertising Hudson Whisky direct in Western dailies.

W. Montague Pearsall, 203 Broadway, New York is placing the advertising of Gunter's Magazine.

The Southern Advertising Distributing Company, Baltimore, is asking rates on classified advertising.

The Drake Company, Chicago, since its reorganization has resumed advertising through Nelson Cheesman & Co.

The J. T. Wetherald Agency, Boston, is asking rates on three inches to run e. o. d. for thirteen insertions.

The W. S. Hill Company, Pittsburg, is putting out a line of advertising in Ohio papers for Sheppard's Drawing Room Tea.

Wakefield's Golden Ointment is being advertised in Western dailies by Louis O. Eddy, Marshall Field Building, Chicago.

Northeastern dailies are being used direct for the advertising of the General Fireproofing Company, 156 Fifth avenue, New York.

The Good Morning Call Tablets are being advertised direct in Northeastern dailies by the Good Morning Call Company, Haverhill, Mass.

Some advertising for the Ferroleum Company, Buffalo, is being placed in dailies through the Paul E. Derrick Agency, Tribune Building, New York.

Northeastern dailies are being used through N. W. Ayer & Son, Philadelphia, for the advertising of the American Surety Company, 100 Broadway, New York. The contract is for six inches twice a week for a year.

N. W. Ayer & Son, Philadelphia, are arranging to place the advertising of the Kickapoo Indian Remedy Company, Clintonville, Conn. The contract will be for 450 inches. This account was formerly handled by Pettingill & Co., Boston.

The Niagara Falls Advertising Agency, Niagara Falls, N. Y., is asking papers in the Northwest for detailed information about leading druggists, etc. It is also asking for rates on space ranging from one inch to one column, once a week for a year.

James Vick, of the Seedsman, is sending out letters from Philadelphia, asking for a free insertion of a reader relative to a book on finance that he has written. If the papers give him the free reader he states that he might do some advertising with them.

The Johnstone Advertising Agency of Rochester, N. Y., is sending out new copy for the Security Building Company; Leon Wright, Tailor; Ideal Skirt Company; C. K. Grouse & Co., Pilot Ribbon Carbon Company; Patterson's Pineapple Clip; Wilmot Castle Company; Vetter Desk Works; Absorbent Cure Company;

Cream of Sage and Sulphur, and the Menter & Rosenbloom Company.

Frank H. Sisson has resigned his position with the editorial staff of McClure's Magazine and has become assistant secretary of the American Real Estate Company, 290 Broadway, New York. This corporation is entering on an extensive campaign of advertising under Mr. Sisson's direction, the business being placed by the Ben B. Hampton Company, 7 West Twenty-second street, New York.

Since the consolidation of the Bolton Drug Company operating a chain of stores in Brooklyn, with the Riker Drug Company, which operates stores and an extensive laboratory in Manhattan, an unusual amount of newspaper advertising for New York druggists has been placed. The name of the Bolton stores is being changed to "Riker." The Riker laboratories manufacture an extensive line of perfumes and toilet articles which have been advertised for a year or two in the magazines. It is understood that the magazine advertising during the coming year will be extended materially. The business is placed by the Ben B. Hampton Company, 7 West Twenty-second street, New York.

NATURAL FOOD PUBLICITY.

T. A. De Weese Appointed Director—E. F. Olmsted to Develop Special Features.

Truman A. DeWeese, who for ten years was an editorial writer on the Chicago Record-Herald and more recently has been in charge of the special publicity work at the St. Louis World's Fair, has been appointed director of publicity of the Natural Food Company at Niagara Falls, N. Y. Mr. De Weese has long been a student of the subject of pure foods and was for some time editor of a well-known food magazine.

E. F. Olmsted, who has been with the Natural Food Company for several years as advertising manager, will remain with the company, retaining that title and devoting his efforts to various departments of publicity in which he has demonstrated special capability. He will have executive direction of several new phases of advertising originated by him, and will give further attention, to the Natural Food Conservatory, which has become an important advertising attraction. Mr. Olmsted will also develop the plans suggested for the city of Niagara Falls with a view to exploiting its advantages as a meeting place for conventions.

ADVERTISING NOTES.

M. F. Reddington, who had charge of the order department of the Ben B. Hampton Agency, 7 West Twenty-second street, New York, has accepted a position with the Knickerbocker Drug Company, Broadway and Bleeker streets, New York, where he will have charge of the Cranitonic advertising, which was recently taken over by that company. Mr. Reddington will be succeeded at the Hampton Agency by H. J. Cruden.

C. R. Sherlock, who formerly conducted an advertising agency in Syracuse, N. Y., is now head of the advertising department of the United Cigar Stores Company, New York.

Northrup Opens Chicago Office.

Frank R. Northrup, the special newspaper representative, 220 Broadway, New York, has opened an office in Chicago, Suite 1714-1715, Tribune Building. Mr. Northrup has appointed A. W. Tibbitts local manager of the Western office.

ADVERTISING EUROPEAN GOODS.

Success of the Campaign of Publicity for Cailler's Chocolate.

One of the common difficulties of the European who attempts to enter the American market is the lack of knowledge of American conditions relative to the marketing and advertising of goods. It is not unusual for a well-known house in England or France to send a representative to America and spend a large sum of money without appreciable results. In nearly every one of these cases the article itself is meritorious, which has been demonstrated by its success abroad, and its failure to achieve equal results in this country is very often due to wasteful or inadequate advertising.

One of the most marked successes of recent years in the line of foreign merchandise sold in America, is that of Cailler's Swiss Milk Chocolate. The Cailler factory is located at Broc, Switzerland, and has been operating for many years. Cailler's Chocolates lead all others in sales in Europe, but were practically unknown in America up to two years ago, when J. H. Freymann, one of the directors of the Cailler Company determined to invade America. Mr. Freymann came to New York, opened a retail store and general offices at 861 Broadway, and then undertook a systematic campaign of investigation. He visited practically every section of the country, appointing brokers and jobbers to handle his product.

When this work was completed to his satisfaction he undertook a campaign of magazine advertising. The advertising since its start has been handled by the Ben B. Hampton Company, New York, and has been very successful. Newspaper advertising in some of the larger cities is now being prepared, and as rapidly as possible will be extended to various sections of the country.

Cailler's Chocolate has been on sale less than two years, yet it would be difficult to find a town of any importance in the entire country where it cannot be purchased to-day. The demand for it is growing steadily, and its success proves that any foreigner who has a good article will have no difficulty in persuading Americans to buy it.

Minneapolis Journal's Big Showing.

The Minneapolis Journal made a splendid showing in advertising last month. It claims 224 columns of foreign advertising, which it says is twelve columns more than its nearest competitor. The total amount of advertising carried is given as 13,047 columns, as against 12,079 of its closest rival. The record is all the more remarkable when it is considered that the Journal issues no Sunday edition and that there were five Sundays in the month of January.

E. H. Mullin Dead.

Edward Hemphill Mullin, advertising manager of the General Electric Company, died last week at his home in Milburn, N. J., aged 45 years. He was a well-known writer for newspapers on electrical and mechanical subjects and was chairman of the committee on circulations of the Association of American Advertisers. Mr. Mullin was a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers and a thirty-second degree Mason.

CHANGES IN INTEREST.

J. B. Welch has sold the Stockport (Ia.) News to Elvin Mendenhall.

William A. Lans and D. W. Knickerbocker have purchased the Marshall (Mich.) News.

The Gridley (Cal.) News has been leased by W. H. Gilstrap, who until lately has been publisher of the Visalia News.

Frank Lease has purchased the Clay City (Ind.) Democrat of B. F. Goshorn, and has placed William Travis in charge as editor and manager.

The Cherokee Advance at Canton, Ga., has been leased by L. Burd, of Atlanta, from Ben F. Perry, with privilege of purchase within the year.

H. J. Passmore and Glen Beckham have purchased from W. B. Davis the Goliad Guard at Berclair, Tex. Mr. Passmore will be the editor.

The firm of McGonigh & Ostrander, publishers of the Wayne County Review at Lyons, N. Y., has been dissolved, Mr. McGonigh retiring to accept a position in New York.

The Neshoba (Miss.) Democrat was recently purchased from Wilson & McKay by King, Breland & Hitt. R. L. Breland will be editor and superintendent, and W. D. Hitt business manager. Mr. Breland formerly edited the Neshoba Weekly.

L. W. Gaines, proprietor of the Interstate News at Guthrie, Ky., has purchased the plant and business of the Guthrie Courier, which leaves the News a clear field. The News was established only three months ago. Mr. Gaines also owns the Elkton (Ky.) Progress.

NEW CORPORATIONS.

The Midway Publishing Company, New York. Capital, \$50,000. Directors: G. W. Munro, J. F. Burnham, Walter Pegram, New York.

The Democrat Printing & Publishing Company, Fort Morgan, Col. Capital stock, \$6,000; Roy Ray, H. B. Branch and John Ray, incorporators.

Telegram Publishing Company, Rifle, Col. Capital stock, \$4,000. Incorporated by Fred Munro, George E. Clarkson, Louis Hoffmeister and others.

The Baldwin Times Publishing Company of Bay Minette, Ala., with a capital stock of \$10,000. Incorporators: A. J. Smith, W. C. Dinwiddle, Charles Barclay and I. B. Jones.

H. Aldrich Lloyd Printing and Publishing Company, Brooklyn. Capital, \$10,000. Directors: H. Aldrich Lloyd and G. William Strong, New York, and Charles J. Johnston, Brooklyn.

Articles of incorporation have been filed for the State Spirit Publishing Company at Pierre, S. D., with a capital of \$500,000. The incorporators are B. G. Richards, E. C. Richards and others.

The Italian Publishing Company has been organized for the purpose of issuing a newspaper at Detroit in the language of sunny Italy. It is capitalized at \$2,000. Pascol Palmieri, and associates are the incorporators.

The Norwich (N. Y.) Sun has been changed from a morning to an evening paper.

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Cincinnati Post.....exceeding 146,000
St. Louis Chronicle..... " 55,000
Toledo Times and News Bee " 52,000
Columbus (O.) Citizen.....exceeding 25,000
Cleveland Press.....exceeding 141,000
Covington (Ky.) Post..... " 13,000
Akron (O.) Press..... " 10,000

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COLORADO EDITORS MEET.

H. J. Holmes Again Elected President of the State Association.

The Colorado Editorial Association, at its annual meeting held last week at Denver elected the following officers:

H. J. Holmes, Glenwood Springs Avalanche, president; P. Byrnes, Bessemer Indicator, C. H. Wolfe, Greeley Tribune, vice-presidents; J. T. Lawless, Lamar Sparks, secretary and treasurer; C. E. Wood, Colorado Springs Telegraph, national executive committeeman; Gen. George West, Golden Transcript, historian.

The following committees were appointed: Executive committee—C. E. Adams, Montrose Press; E. P. Murray, Elizabeth Banner; E. O. Blair, Trinidad Chronicle-News. Legislative committee—Carl Anderson, Fort Collins Courier; J. A. Barclay, Pueblo Chieftain; James Ide, Fort Morgan Times.

Legislation bearing upon public printing was the chief theme of discussion during the business sessions. H. J. Holmes, who has served as president for the past year, was presented with a gold watch and fob. Mr. Holmes asked that another be given the place of president this year, but his objections were overruled and he was unanimously re-elected.

CLUBS AND ASSOCIATIONS.

The editors of Nebraska will meet at Kearney on Feb. 21 and 22.

At the annual meeting of the Madison County (N. Y.) Publishers' Association at Syracuse, the following officers were elected: President, H. H. Hawkins, Hamilton Republican; vice-president, W. W. Ames, DeRuyter Gleaner; secretary and treasurer, J. H. Broad, Morrisville Leader.

The Press League of Bucks and Montgomery Counties, Pennsylvania, at its annual meeting in Doylestown last week, elected the following officers: President, Charles Meredith, Perkasie Central News; vice-president, Eugene Dambly, Skippack Transcript; secretary, C. D. Hotchkiss, Doylestown Intelligencer; treasurer, D. Witman Dambly, Skippack Transcript.

The eighteenth annual banquet of the Reading Press Club was held one night last week, President Lewis G. Early, of the Eagle, presiding. Among the speakers were John B. Dampman, Arthur V. Arrowsmith, Charles W. Gerhart, Harvey F. Heibly, Rev. W. W. Deatrick, editor of the Kutstown Patriot, and Livy S. Richard, who recently went to Reading to be managing editor of the Telegram.

Leon W. Friedman, city editor of the Birmingham (Ala.) News, has been elected treasurer of the Birmingham Press Club, to succeed H. S. Ryall, of the Age-Herald, who resigned. Immediately after his election as treasurer, Mr. Friedman resigned as vice-president, and C. M. Stanley, of the Age-Herald, was promoted from third to second vice-president, and John C. Henley, Jr., of the News, was chosen as third vice-president. The matter of giving a banquet to the honorary members was referred to the executive committee.

Idaho Editors Fix Rates.

The committee on foreign advertising of the Idaho State Press Association, which met recently at Boise, recommended a rate of fifty cents per inch in papers having a circulation of 500 or less, seventy-five cents per inch in papers of over 500 and less than 1,000 and \$1 an inch in papers with a circulation of more than 1,000. These recommendations were adopted. The following officers were elected: President, D. T. A. Mackintosh, of the Kendrick Gazette; vice-president, Charles A. Hackney, of the Meadows Eagle; secretary, M. S. Parker, of Boise; treasurer, Miss Mabel Payne, of the Mountainhome Herald.

A PHENOMENAL GROWTH

During the year 1904 we added 68 clients to our list.

During January 1905 we have added the following papers:

- New York, N. Y.....Commercial
- Chicago, Ill.....Skandinaven
- DuBois, Pa.....Journal
- Oil City, Pa.....Times
- Parkersburg, W. Va.....Dispatch
- West Palm Beach, Fla.....News
- Augusta, Ga.....Tribune
- Anderson, S. C.....Daily Mail
- Davenport, Ia.....Tri-City Star



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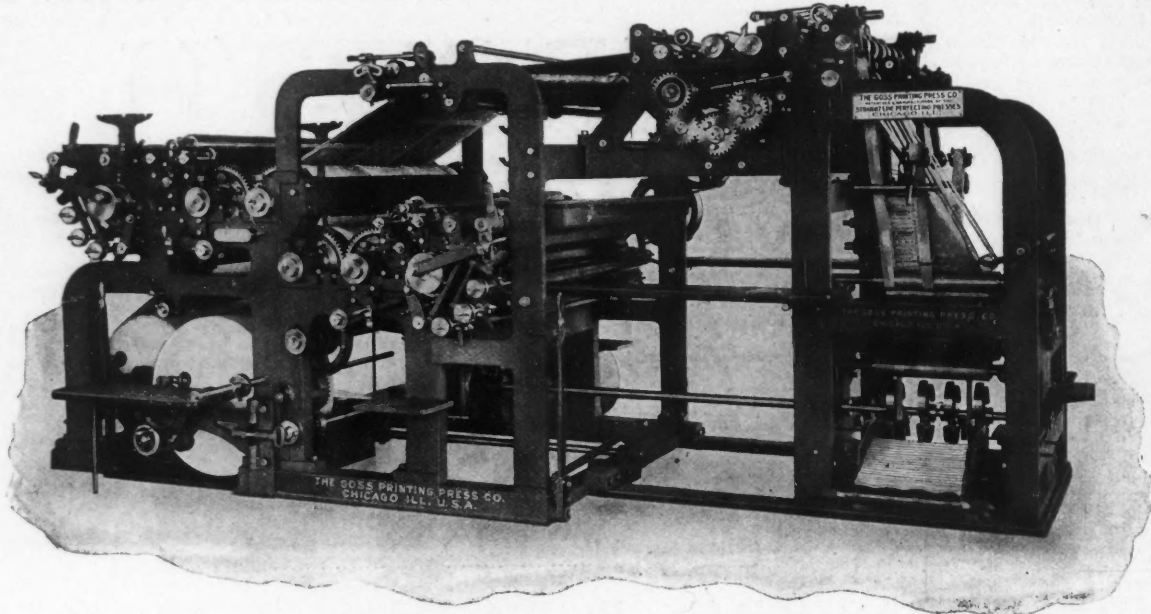
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BRYAN GUEST OF EDITORS.

A Speaker at Banquet of the Connecticut State Association.

The members of the Connecticut Editorial Association, who met last week at New Haven, were fortunate in having as a guest at their annual banquet Hon. William J. Bryan, editor of the Commoner. Mr. Bryan, in addressing the editors, said that the dailies were becoming such commercial institutions that they were fast losing their editorial influence, and that the real power rested with the weeklies.

George C. Woodruff, of the Litchfield Enquirer, was toastmaster, and among the speakers were Thomas Dudley Wells, of the Hartford Times, on "The Passing of the Newspaper Bum;" Col. N. G. Osborn, of the New Haven Register, on "Morals;" Hon. Theodore Bodenwein, of the New London Day, on "The Associated Dailies," and Rev. Watson L. Phillips, of New Haven, on "The Press and the Pulpit."

Mr. Bodenwein spoke for strict business methods in the conduct of newspapers. In the course of his remarks, he said:

"I think I can safely say, and you will agree with me, that to-day successful newspapers depend upon their merits as gatherers and purveyors of news for their existence. They are no longer objects of charity nor footholds of politics. If any political organ exists to-day, it is in spite of politics and not on account of it."

In speaking on "The Passing of the Newspaper Bum," Mr. Wells said:

"It's a fact, at once hopeful and helpful, that the fellow who goes to bed at night a harrel of whisky and gets up in the morning a whisky barrel is gradu-

ally being eliminated from the newspaper business. Introduction of the linotype machine has left the hobo printer stupefied, strapped and stranded, and adoption of improved standards and more efficient methods in the counting room and the editorial department is steadily forcing the hum reporter outside the breastworks."

At the business session a committee of the Associated Dailies recommended that hillboards be taxed, and the association voted to indorse that feature. A committee of five was appointed to confer with a similar committee of the Associated Dailies in regard to legislation in the matter.

The following officers were elected: President, A. S. Barnes, Bristol Press; vice-presidents, J. A. Morse, Windsor Locks Journal; Lew Allen, Meriden Journal; George A. Sturdy, New London Globe; James P. Woodruff, Litchfield Enquirer; E. L. Prann, Deep River New Era; T. S. Pratt, Rockville Journal; A. N. Colgrove, Willimantic Chronicle; secretary and treasurer, Elwood S. Ela, of the Manchester Herald; auditor, H. B. Hale, East Hartford Gazette.

New members elected were: George A. Sturdy, New London Globe; G. W. Flint, Danbury News; Theodore Bodenwein, New London Day; Edward J. Thomas, Norwalk Hour; W. J. Pape, Waterbury Republican.

Circulation of Patriot and Press.

Milo W. Whittaker, general manager of the Jackson (Mich.) Patriot and Press, issues a sworn statement giving the combined circulation (not duplicated) of the Morning Patriot and Evening Press for the month of February as 6,977. The sworn average circulation for 1904 is given as follows: Morning Patriot, 3,158; Evening Press, 3,447; Sunday Patriot, 3,869; Weekly Patriot, 2,724.

WAR CORRESPONDENTS' TABLET.

Memorial Erected by Institute of Journalists Unveiled by Lord Roberts.

The tablet, erected by the British Institute of Journalists to the memory of the correspondents who lost their lives in the South African war, was unveiled a few days by Field Marshal Lord Roberts, V. C. It is placed in the north side of the south isle of the crypt of St. Paul's Cathedral, next to the memorial to Archibald Forbes, and immediately facing the tablet to the memory of the special correspondents who fell in the campaigns in the Soudan in 1883, 1884 and 1885. The memorial, which is the work of W. Goscombe John, A. R. A., is executed in bronze and is inclosed in a massive frame of red marble. The inscription on the tablet is as follows:

To the memory of the journalists who lost their lives while serving as special correspondents in the South African war, 1899-1902. Alfred Julian Adams, Exchange Telegraph Company; James Innes Calder, Reuter's Telegram Company; Frederick Slater Collett, Daily Mail; Joseph Smith Dunn, Central News; George Alfred Ferrand, Morning Post; William John Lambie, Melhourne Age; William Hay MacKay, Reuter's Telegram Company; Robert Mitchell, Standard; Edwin George Parslow, Daily Chronicle; Edward Daniel Scott, Manchester Courier; Horace H. Spooner, Sydney Evening News; George Warrington Stevens, Daily Mail; William Theohald Maud, Daily Graphic; who died at Aden, 1903. Erected by the Institute of Journalists.

D. T. Sandeman, president of the Institute of Journalists, in thanking Lord Roberts for consenting to perform the ceremony, remarked that some of the correspondents whose names were en-

graved on the tablet, were doubtless personally known to him. Lord Roberts in unveiling the memorial, said that he willingly accepted the invitation to unveil that tablet erected to the memory of the thirteen journalists who lost their lives while serving as war correspondents in South Africa, because he felt that the ceremony would give him the opportunity of showing his appreciation of the work done for their country by those men whose names were thereon recorded. They died, as so many of their brethren had died before them, in the loyal performance of their arduous duties, and they proved themselves worthy of belonging to a high and honorable profession, the members of which in all quarters of the globe had rendered valuable service, not only to the journals which they represented, but also to the public at large.

Officers of Pennsylvania Association.

The Pennsylvania Editorial Association elected the following officers for the coming year: President, A. Nevin Pomeroy, Chambersburg; vice-presidents, T. H. Carter, Bellefonte; W. H. McQuown, Clearfield; J. W. Carson, Beaver Falls; secretary and treasurer, R. P. Hapgood, Bradford; assistant secretary, A. D. Gould, Eldred; corresponding secretary, Cyrus G. Fox, Reading. Executive committee—A. Nevin Pomeroy, R. P. Hapgood, R. H. Thomas, Jr., Mechanicsburg; R. T. Wiley, Altoona, E. B. McKee, Towanda; H. A. Thompson, Tyrone; O. D. Shick, Harrisburg.

New Daily at Staunton, Va.

A new afternoon paper, which will be known as the Penny Post, began publication last Wednesday at Staunton, Va. Harry M. Miller is editor and business manager. This will make one morning and two evening dailies for Staunton.

