

TO INSURE PROSPERITY

J. J. Hill Rates Gathering of Governors as Priceless.

GO BACK TO NATURE

Calls It "One of the Greatest Steps Forward Ever Taken in United States." Only Way Is to Conserve Our National Resources—Obligations of the Future.

New York, May 21.—James J. Hill said in his office at No. 32 Liberty street, that one of the surest ways to insure continued prosperity in the United States is to carry on the work of the Governors' conference recently held in Washington.

"That meeting called by President Roosevelt to insure the conservation of national resources was," said Mr. Hill, "one of the greatest steps forward that has been taken in many years."

"We need men at the head of this movement who will keep on fighting and not become discouraged by the many rebuffs that are sure to come."

"It may be that little progress will be shown for four or five years. The active worker of to-day may become a bit weary of not showing better results, but if we can only keep the right kind of people interested I am sure the results will benefit generations to come in this country."

"America to-day is suffering from too much surface work. We as a people have been satisfied to skim over affairs, forgetting that we have an obligation to our sons and grandsons."

"We have been destroying right and left, and now that the subject has come before the people in a natural way, I have the greatest hopes that good will come from the first meeting."

"My idea is to make the organization a lasting one. We want yearly meetings, oftener if need be; but not less than once a year."

"The people of the United States need to get back to nature. We want to pay more attention to the ground and less to stocks."

"Less Wall Street and more farming will be one of the greatest salvations of this wonderful country."

"We have had hard times and we are not out of the woods yet. We have been taught a lesson, and if it is a lasting impression then it has not been in vain."

Eddites Work Over Dead.

Asheville, N. C., May 20.—For five days Christian Scientists demonstrated over the dead body of Frank J. Carpenter, a wealthy citizen, formerly of Savannah, Ga., to bring the body back to life. When the husband died his wife refused to allow the body to be removed, and when undertakers came to the house by orders of the doctors she drove them away. She declared that her husband was not dead.

She sent for Christian Scientist, and declared her husband wanted to "speak to her." After several days and all efforts had failed by the Christian Scientists to resurrect her husband, Mrs. Carpenter shut herself up alone with the body. Carpenter's body was spirited away by a trained nurse and an undertaker while Mrs. Carpenter was asleep, and embalmed.

Favors Anti-Gambling Bills.

Albany, N. Y., March 20.—President Roosevelt is in favor of the abolition of race-track gambling and has so expressed himself. This statement was made by Senator Agnew, who introduced the anti-race-track gambling bills in the upper house. The Senator said: "One of my constituents has lately had a talk with the President in relation to conditions in the Empire State. In the course of this conversation the President expressed himself as strongly in favor of the anti-race-track gambling bills."

To Resume Cattle Tests.

Albany, N. Y., May 20.—In spite of the protests from the farmers who have been injured by the system, and also in spite of the charges recently made by Governor Hughes regarding the administration of the State Agricultural Department, the old policy of applying the tuberculin tests to cattle will be continued with renewed vigor by R. A. Pearson, the new cattle commissioner, who succeeded Charles A. Wieting in April. Mr. Pearson said that as soon as the department saw appropriation for his department is made available he will put to work his full force of inspectors in every dairy county in the State from which may come requests for the test or complaint is made of the suspicion of tuberculosis in cattle.

To Wind Up Allegheny Bank.

Pittsburg, May 19.—It is officially announced that the Allegheny National Bank, whose former cashier, William Montgomery, is in jail specifically charged with the misappropriation of \$594,000, while officers of the bank and of the Treasury department are trying to fathom still larger apparent discrepancies in the bank's funds, will not reopen or business. The Controller of the treasury has taken charge and will close up the affairs of the bank.

PRESIDENT TO THE GOVERNORS.

Striking Points in Speech to Notable Gathering of Executives.

Washington, May 21.—With a plea for the preservation of the natural resources of the country, President Roosevelt opened the conference of Governors called by him to consider the subject.

Facing the President when he called the conference to order was the most notable gathering that has ever assembled in the East Room of the White House.

The President delivered the first and principal address, the striking points in which were as follows:

This conference on the conservation of natural resources is in effect a meeting of the representatives of all the people of the United States called to consider the weightiest problem now before the nation.

When the founders of this union met at Independence Hall in Philadelphia the conditions of commerce had not fundamentally changed from what they were when the Phoenician keels first furrowed the lonely waters of the Mediterranean.

Our position in the world has been attained by the extent and thoroughness of the control we have achieved over nature; but we are



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more, and not less, dependent upon what she furnishes than at any previous time of history since the days of primitive man.

The wares of the merchants of Boston, of Charleston, like the wares of the merchants of Nineveh and Sidon, if they went by water, were carried by boats propelled by sails or oars; if they went by land were carried in wagons drawn by beasts of draught or in packs on the backs of beasts of burden. The ships that crossed the high seas were better than the ships that had once crossed the Aegean, but they were of the same type, after all.

In Washington's time anthracite coal was known only as a useless black stone. Now all this is changed. On the average, the son of the farmer of to-day must make his living on his father's farm. There is no difficulty in doing this if the father will exercise wisdom.

When the people of the United States consciously undertake to raise themselves as citizens, and the nation and the States in their several spheres to the highest pitch of excellence in private, State and national life, and to do this because it is the first call of all the duties of true patriotism, then, and not till then, the future of this nation, in quality and in time, will be assured.

Root for Chief Justice.

Chicago, Ill., May 19.—A special dispatch from Washington says there is an understanding at the capital that Secretary of State Elihu Root is slated for the place of Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court, provided the appointment comes in the way either of Mr. Roosevelt or Mr. Taft. Chief Justice Melville W. Fuller of Chicago may take advantage of the law and retire on full pay in the next few years.

Clergyman Kills Wife.

Fairmont, West Va., May 20.—Temporarily insane according to his own statement the Rev. S. A. Coffman, aged 50 years, a prominent Methodist Episcopal clergyman, killed his wife by cutting her throat. A moment after the crime he says, he regained his senses and realized what he had done. He surrendered himself and was locked up.

Confessed Killing Three.

Freehold, N. J., May 19.—The county authorities have announced that Frank Zastera the Hungarian farm hand who gave the alarm that William B. Sheppard, his wife, and maid servant, Jennie Blandy, had been murdered, has confessed that he himself fired the five shots by which they were killed.

Dr. Wilbur Now a Catholic.

St. Louis, May 19.—The Rev. Dr. Russell A. Wilbur, formerly Archdeacon of the Episcopal Diocese of Fond Du Lac, Wis., was confirmed here by Archbishop John J. Glennon as a member of the Roman Catholic Church.

Hawaii for Bryan.

Honolulu, May 20.—The Democratic Territorial Convention elected delegates to the National Convention and instructed them for William J. Bryan.

WORLD NEWS OF THE WEEK

Covering Minor Happenings from all Over the Globe.

HOME AND FOREIGN

Compiled and Condensed for the Busy Reader—A Complete Record of European Despatches and Important Events from Everywhere Boiled Down for Hasty Perusal.

William K. Marsh, a rich inventor of Flatbush, N. Y., put his business affairs in order, when he was told by his physicians that he was dying of hydrophobia.

Representative Hobson, after a conference with the President, came out enthusiastically for two thirty-thousand-ton battleships in the next Naval Appropriation bill.

The Republican party was given a verbal trouncing by Senator Robert L. Taylor, or "Fiddling Bob," as he is known in Tennessee, in the course of his maiden speech in the Senate. He sustained his reputation as a humorist.

Dynamiting has been resorted to in the Cleveland street car strike. One car was practically wrecked and another lifted from the tracks.

Two thousand steel cars have been ordered by the New York Central Railroad for its Pittsburg and Lake Erie Division.

Captain Samuel Samuels, who commanded the famous clipper ship the Dreadnought, and who sailed the Henrietta in the transatlantic yacht race of 1866, died in his Brooklyn home.

Addressing a New Thought meeting in New York, Mrs. Caroline Footmarsh said she had thrown away a lot of useless furniture and pictures and advised her hearers to rid their homes of superfluous articles.

It is announced that the thirteenth annual convention of the National Association of Manufacturers will be the most important in its history, because of the efforts to obtain tariff-reform legislation.

R. C. Auld said he would soon publish a book entitled "The Soul of Society," in which he tells the secret of discovering your true soulmate, thus enabling you to avoid the divorce court.

J. Byard Collins in Christ Presbyterian Church, New York, delivered a socialistic address in which he said that John D. Rockefeller, Andrew Carnegie and others are ready to turn their property and their money over to the state.

A prominent paper manufacturer declares the Congressional tariff investigation has shown the good faith of the trade and predicts the retreat of complaining publishers.

At a mass meeting of the unemployed it was voted to appoint a committee to enlist the aid of John D. Rockefeller.

Washington despatches estimated that W. J. Bryan's strength in the Denver Convention would probably reach 800 delegates.

J. H. Conkling died in Middletown, Conn., of blood poisoning as a result of the suicidal act of pouring hot lead into his ear months before.

Representatives of eighty-five colleges and universities attended the dedication ceremonies of the new buildings of the College of the City of New York.

The House of Representatives passed the Vreeland Currency bill by a vote of 184 to 145.

The United States District Court dismissed the petition of one of the negro soldiers discharged at Brownsville, Tex., holding that President Roosevelt had ample authority for giving him his discharge.

A three-year-old Italian boy who was kidnapped and held forty-three days for a \$5,000 ransom, was mysteriously deserted in a hallway in New York City.

Grover Cleveland was too ill to reply to a message of sympathy from the conference of Governors.

The conservation conference adjourned sine die and the Governors laid a foundation for an organization of their own.

Robert W. Fullerton, son of a St. Louis merchant, was arrested in Seattle on charges made by a New York girl.

Martin Van Buren, namesake and favorite nephew of President Van Buren, died in penury at Albany. Cardinal Logue warned Americans against a great army and navy.

FOREIGN.

The British Government has received from Washington an invitation to attend the International Tuberculosis Conference to be held in Washington next September.

A Dutch schooner arrived at Curacao from Puerto Cabello, where it had been feared that the bubonic plague had made its appearance. The captain of the schooner declared the sanitary conditions there were good.

The coming Pan-Anglican Congress in London is expected to be notable for practical results as well as for world-wide attendance.

Pekin is alarmed says a special cable despatch from Shanghai, by the military strength of the rebels in Yun Nan Province.

MAE WOOD TESTIFIES.

Describes in Court a Brief Ceremony Performed in Secret.

New York, May 21.—Wisdom as of the serpent alternating with the dotting of a pantaloons shone forth in Justice O'Govern's part of the Supreme Court as belonging to the character of United States Senator Thomas Collier Platt, according to the testimony of a woman suing him for divorce. Mae C. Wood-Platt, as the plaintiff called herself, or Mae C. Wood, as the defendant insisted



SENATOR T. C. PLATT.

she was, painted the Senator as at one time writing to her in terms suggestive of a schoolboy's caldief infatuation for a divinity in pigtail and pincuffs, and at another showing enough shrewdness to lull her acutest suspicion. She pictured him as addressing her on the glittering veranda of the Manhattan Beach Hotel, with endearments, as making her his wife on November 9, 1901, and inducing her to keep the marriage private on the plea that it would hurt his chance of re-election to the Senate; as calling her "Baby," and "My Little Bride-to-Be," and "My Dear Little One," and "My Dear, Dearest May June-November Bride." The sprightly statesman in his papers denied ever having gone through a wedding ceremony with the plaintiff, and said the co-respondent, Lillian Jane-way Platt, was his lawful wife.

Mrs. Wood-Platt said she had letters from the Senator supporting her assertion. She identified a typewritten sheet, as in substance a copy of the letter, as nearly as she could remember. The alleged copy was as follows:

"Friday, November 8, 1901.

"My Little Bride-to-Be—I have made all arrangements. You are not to say anything to anybody nor do anything but obey implicitly my instructions. You are to be here at 4 o'clock sharp. I inclose a card for you to give to the hotel clerk, who will look after you and show you to room 153. You need not register.

"I will care for you when everything is ready, as per card inclosed. Please do not keep us waiting. I am an old fool, but you will never regret the step, for you shall be as free as you are until the proper time comes.

"Believe me, lovingly, TOM."

Thaw Refuses to Pay Debts.

New York, May 19.—It has been learned that Harry K. Thaw, who is fighting for his freedom from the Matteawan Asylum for the Criminal Insane, has unpaid bills amounting to approximately \$200,000, and that he refuses to pay out a dollar to his creditors as long as he is officially insane. The creditors number about one hundred and forty, and the amounts of their individual claims range all the way from \$35,000 down to a comparatively few dollars. They include lawyers, doctors, alienists, and a horde of tradespeople—in fact, nearly everybody who had rendered service or sold anything to Thaw, since his first trial for the killing of Stanford White.

Canes Congressman Clark.

Jacksonville, Fla., May 19.—Congressman Frank Clark and ex-Gov. William Sherman Jennings were in a fight at the Aragon Hotel here. Jennings is a cousin of William Jennings Bryan and a candidate for member of the National Democratic Committee. In a recent speech Clark declared that Jennings was reputed to be on the threshold of pauperism when elected Governor, and at the expiration of his term of office he was reputed to be a very rich man. Clark was standing in the hotel lobby when Jennings entered from the rear, and seizing Clark's walking cane, inflicted ugly wounds upon Clark's head before any one could interfere.

For War of Insects.

Boston, May 19.—Within a few days 100,000 European parasites will have been let loose in Massachusetts to exterminate the gypsy and brown-tail moths. One variety a big beetle, climbs the trees, seizes the moths and never lets go until it has devoured the wriggling insect. Another lays its eggs on the outer skin of the moths, usually close up to the head. The larvae that hatch penetrate the skin and feed upon the moth's intestines.

SPERRY HOISTS HIS FLAG

In Command of the Fleet for Homeward Cruise.

C. M. THOMAS RETIRES

New Commander Received With Salutes and Other Naval Honors Befitting His Position—Has Charge of Strongest Force of Fighting Ships in History of Nation.

San Francisco, May 21.—Rear Admiral Charles Stillman Sperry, who returned six months ago from a mission of peace as one of the American delegates to the conference at The Hague, assumed command of the strongest force of first class fighting ships assembled in the history of the Nation. Rear Admiral Charles M. Thomas, who succeeded Rear Admiral Evans as commander-in-chief of the Atlantic fleet, hauled down his flag from the truck of the Connecticut, and ten minutes later Admiral Sperry was received on board the flagship, with the salutes and other



ADMIRAL SPERRY.

naval honors befitting his position. The ceremonies were carried out in the briefest possible fashion and in strict accordance with naval regulations.

Rear Admiral W. H. Emery transferred his flag from the Georgia to the Louisiana, the new flagship of the Second squadron, Third division. Captain Richard Wainwright gave up command of the Louisiana and hoisted the triangular blue flag of senior division officer on the Georgia. He commands the Second division. Captain Schroeder, commanding the Virginia, assumed command of the Fourth division and took up his quarters on the new flagship Wisconsin. Both Captains Schroeder and Wainwright will be promoted to the grade of rear admiral in July.

Rear Admiral Dayton, commander-in-chief of the Pacific fleet, outranks Admiral Sperry, and as soon as Admiral Thomas's blue flag was run down on the Connecticut he became senior officer, in command of the combined fleets. It had been intended that the Pacific fleet should sail at once and thus avoid the ensuing complications of change of command, but under orders from Washington the cruisers were held here to await further instructions.

Under orders from Admiral Sperry, the bronze battleship target practice trophy was transferred from the battleship Illinois of the Atlantic fleet to the armored cruiser Maryland of the Pacific fleet.

Mrs. Guinness Dead.

Laporte, Ind., May 21.—The upper and lower plates of artificial teeth from the mouth of Mrs. Belle Guinness were found in the ashes of the Guinness home. Dr. L. P. Norton, who made the lower plate positively identified them. "The finding of the plates proves beyond the shadow of a doubt," said Sheriff S. Smutzer, "that Mrs. Guinness was burned to death in the fire."

The body of Jennie Olsen has been officially identified. Prosecuting Attorney Smith said that Ray Lamphere, now held in jail here on the charge of murdering Mrs. Guinness and her children, will not be tried before Sept. 1.

Mercury Cures Tuberculosis.

Washington, May 19.—Recent advices from the new naval hospital at Fort Lyon, Col., confirms the promising report made by Surgeon B. L. Wright, on duty at the sanitarium, regarding the results of treating tuberculosis by the use of mercury. Naval surgeons at the hospital have been closely observing the thirty cases subjected to this treatment, and the progress it is said has been such as to add to the confidence that they have made an important discovery.

Right to Seize Liquors.

Albany, May 21.—Important amendments are made to the liquor tax law in a bill of Senator Raines which was approved by Governor Hughes. Among other things the new law gives the right of search and seizure to special excise agents and forfeits to the State all liquors seized by such officers. Liquor so

KILLED FATHER THEN HIMSELF.

George E. Sterry, Wealthy Drug Merchant Killed.

New York, May 21.—George E. Sterry, Jr., Secretary of the Weaver & Sterry Company, Limited, one of the oldest drug firms in the country, with offices and warehouses for fifty years at 79 Pine Street, shot and killed his father as the elder man sat at his desk, and then put a bullet into his own head at exactly the same point in the right temple, where he had shot his father. Both died instantly. The father was President of the drug company, was interested in a number of others, and was accounted a millionaire.

The cause of the patricide and suicide was that the father, whose name was also George E. Sterry, had decided to marry on June 3, Miss Rachel Blackie, a school teacher of East Orange, N. J. The four sons had known for six months about the intended marriage. They all opposed it and the son left a letter saying that he would not allow his father to disgrace the memory of his sainted mother. He had prayed over the matter sometimes as often as twenty times a day, he said, in the letter, and he felt that God had prompted him to kill his father.

Wrecked Aeroplane Cut Up.

Manteo, N. C., May 19.—Having completely broken up their airship which was wrecked at Kill Devil Hill, Wilbur and Orville Wright, the Dayton, Ohio aeronauts, received at their camp on the beach the correspondents who have been watching from a distance their experiments of the past ten days. The only vestige of the airship which the inventors saved was the gasoline engine. The other parts were cut up to make it impossible for their ideas of aerial navigation to be discovered.

Campaign for Prosperity.

St. Louis, Mo., May 19.—The National Prosperity Association of St. Louis will send representatives to cities, towns and county seats, to spread the "Give us a rest and sunshine" movement, and induce the local business, labor and agricultural organizations to unite for promoting the best interests of the country. Where no commercial or agricultural bodies are in existence the representatives of the association will endeavor to organize them.

Tramp Professor Dead.

Princeton, N. J., May 19.—Walter Augustus Wyckoff, assistant professor of political economy in Princeton University, is dead here. He was fifty years old and known as the tramp professor. Born to wealth and social position, he early exhibited a keen interest in the laboring man, and took many trips as a tramp. Young Wyckoff in two years made his way to California, working as a laborer and tramping. He started with only a small sum of money, and often had to go without food.

Japan Seeks Loan.

New York, May 19.—A report has reached the city from Washington that the Japanese financiers who came to New York about a week ago on their way to London to float a loan for 300,000,000 yen, were in negotiation with E. R. Harriman, Jacob R. Schiff, August Belmont and others for the formation of a syndicate here to take over the entire loan, or a large part of it.

BASE BALL.

Table with columns for National League and American League, listing teams and scores.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

Wholesale Prices of Farm Products

Table listing various farm products and their prices, including wheat, corn, oats, milk, butter, cheese, etc.

"The" Allen Dead. New York, May 18.—"The" Allen whose forty years of poolroom-keeping brought him into hundreds of conflicts with generations of police and gained for him the title of "the wickedest man in New York," died at his home, No. 17 West Eighth street, of locomotor ataxia. He was 77 years old.