

## The Centre Reporter Centre Hill, Pa.

### SARTORIAL SNOBBERY.

That elusive individual to whom the New York tailors owe a large debt of gratitude—which may be more than balanced by the amount he owes the tailors—has tendered the public another profound statement. He says that a man "who doesn't go out much" can dress decently on \$5,000 a year, says the Cleveland Plain Dealer. Observe the subtle malignity of that qualifying phrase. The man who goes out much, the fellow who romps through routs and dinners and teas and all fresco twaddles, must pay his tailor—no matter what he does for the piper. While the poor chappie who is hampered by a measly \$5,000 will cut his pleasures carefully according to his cloth, being so closely menaced by that deadly line of decency. Just now this distinction will be regarded by the possessor of two coat hangers, with only one in active use, can easily be imagined. He will smile at the ukase and snap his fingers at a code of decency that is based on 20 coats and countless trousers. Nevertheless, if you are ambitious to be of the patricians you must do as the patricians do—provided your income exceeds the paltry \$5,000—and it will be an exhibition of extremely bad form if you regard this sartorial declaration of the man who knows in any other save the most serious light.

There is beginning to be comment on the growing respectability of trade in Germany. Time was when a man of title was believed to soil his hands by making money. The tradition can hardly be insisted on, however, when the kaiser himself has a business interest in the manufacture of terra cotta. From the old American standpoint it is much more honorable to get money in trade or industry than to acquire it by marriage; but it may be a long time before European aristocracy of any description sees the mercenary marriage problem in its true light.

Within the next three years the Malay states will export \$50,000,000 worth of rubber. This goes far toward putting the rubber plant on a plane with the ice plant as a source of revenue.

A man in Massachusetts turning to look after a hobble skirt fell and broke his leg. He would not be a true son of Adam if he does not put all the blame on the hobble skirt.

A Paris dentist who tinkered with the teeth of the royalty of Europe at about \$500 a tinker, has just died, leaving an estate worth only a little over a million.

A New Jersey pastor says that women who wear hobble skirts should be spanked. True, but in that skirt there's no chance of getting them in the proper position for spanking.

When people discover that it is cheaper to buy at home than to smuggle from abroad, smuggling will cease. The pocket nerve is a powerful moral agent.

Another man in the big woods has been shot, being mistaken for a deer in order to be reasonably safe the hunter might disguise himself as a game.

There is a school in Dubuque which is trying to teach boys to love farm work. One course should be on the abolition of the corn-busk mattress.

A Pittsburg man has received a legacy of \$50,000 because he didn't marry. Not being married we can't see that he needs the money.

A Washington man dropped dead while using his lawn mower, and we presume his neighbors rolled over and enjoyed a little morning sleep.

It is about this time that the summer girls at the shores begins to get busy with her letters to the winter stand-by in the city.

Men whose hirsute adornment is remarkable for what it is not will disagree with that scientist who says that a fly travels 25 feet a second.

The Upsilon hotel should now become a treat-less hotel also and thus attain perfection.

Writing poetry is such a mild form of insanity that heretofore it has not been thought necessary to lock up the victim.

A \$60,000 bull dog has just died and there is to be a post-mortem investigation, instead of the usual will contest.

Japan has changed the name of the late Emperor of Korea to Prince Gil. Perhaps "Gil" is Nipponese for "Gilt."

## OVER FIFTY MILLIONS FOR CANAL WORK

### The Estimates For Next Year's Appropriations.

#### UNCLE SAM'S BIG DITCH GROWING

Representative Tawney, of Minnesota, Off For the Zone—Appropriations Reduced To \$11,000,000 Last Year—\$42,000,000 To Begin Construction Of Canal Fortifications and Naval Defenses.

Washington, D. C. (Special).—Representatives Tawney, of Minnesota, Burleson, of Texas, Sherley of Kentucky and other members of the House Committee on Appropriations, together with members of the Interstate Commerce Commission, left New York on the steamer Ancon for Panama, to inspect the Canal Zone.

Mr. Tawney is chairman of the Appropriation Committee, but was defeated for renomination at the September primaries, and Mr. Burleson expects to succeed him as the head of the committee. Mr. Tawney had nothing to say regarding the election, but he said the trip to Panama was necessary because the committee has to pass upon estimates for appropriations.

Mr. Tawney said that as a result of the Panama trip by members of the committee last year appropriations were reduced to \$11,000,000 under the Canal Commission's estimates. The total appropriations so far for the canal have reached \$248,000,000, which is \$23,000,000 less than the aggregate of the estimates that have been submitted. For the next fiscal year the estimates for appropriations necessary for the canal aggregate \$47,000,000, exclusive of \$7,000,000 to begin the construction of the canal fortifications and \$2,000,000 for naval purposes.

Mr. Tawney conferred with Secretary MacVeagh concerning the estimates.

#### A RECORD MARRIAGE CLERK.

Was On the Job 29 Years; Issued 500,000 Licenses.

Chicago (Special).—Among the old-timers around the county building who are expecting to lose their positions when the Democrats take over the reins of government in Cook county on the first of the year is Marriage License Clerk Morris Salmonson. He has held the position for 29 years, and during that time has issued half a million licenses.

"I was appointed by a Democrat, served a quarter of a century under Republicans and seem destined to be put out by a Democrat," said Salmonson. "I have been told that my successor is already picked. I have enjoyed it and had a good time, and I guess others have appreciated my work."

Two deputies of the county treasurer's office who have served 37 years are marked for decapitation.

#### TO MARK EVERY BULLET.

Keeping Tab On Chicago Police In Shooting Cases.

Chicago (Special).—Every bullet in every pistol carried by Chicago policemen will have its own distinguishing mark, in accordance with orders just issued by Chief of Police Steward.

By arrangement with the bureau of identification each pistol will be given an individual mark, and the bullets also, all to be registered at the bureau.

In riots and at other times it is often impossible to discover who did a particular bit of shooting. A policeman's revolver is sometimes wrested from him and himself shot with it. For these reasons, given by Chief Steward, the new development in the identification system is expected to prove of use.

#### To Aid All Injured.

Chicago (Special).—That all employments should be covered by employers' liability and working men's compensation acts is the opinion of representatives of commissions of various States, expressed at a meeting here. The States represented at the meeting were Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey, Ohio, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Montana. It was held at the meeting that all injured workmen should be compensated, regardless of negligence of himself, fellow-employees or the employer.

#### Colorado Dead Reach 64.

Delagua, Col. (Special).—Nine more charred and mangled bodies were found in No. 3 mine, of the Victor American Fuel Company, bringing the list of dead to 64. It is now thought the list may reach 75 or 80.

#### Hanged Himself With Suspenders.

New York (Special).—Carl Anderson, a prisoner in the Raymond Street Jail in Brooklyn, used his suspenders as a means to end his life. Keepers found Anderson's dead body dangling behind the cell door. He had hanged himself with his suspenders from a crossbar above the door. His friends said he had been despondent ever since his conviction for petty larceny, a week ago, and told them he would not live to serve out his three-month term.

## BUMPER CROPS, LED BY CORN

General Review Issued By The Department of Agriculture.

Washington, D. C. (Special).—Bumper crops, led by corn, with the greatest harvest ever gathered, was produced by the farmers of the United States during this year. In a general review of crop conditions just issued the Bureau of Statistics of the Department of Agriculture says:

"The harvests of 1910 have been practically completed, with results exceeding the expectations during the growing period. Preliminary estimates have been made of the production of most of the important crops, from which it appears that the aggregate production of crops in 1910, are approximately 7.6 per cent. greater than the crops of 1909, and about 9.1 per cent. greater than the average annual production of the preceding five years. Prices for important crops averaged on November 1 about 5.4 per cent. lower than a year ago."

"The production of other crops in 1910, expressed in percentage of the average production in recent years (not compared with full crop), is estimated as follows:

"Paches, 113.1; hops, 106.9; broomcorn, 105.4; cranberries, 105.4; sweet potatoes, 104.9; sorghum, 104.6; asparagus, 102.5; peanuts, 102.5; cabbages, 100.2; lima beans, 100; Kamr corn, 99.1; pears, 98.9; beans (dry), 98.8; cantaloupes, 97.3; watermelons, 97; onions, 96.5; hemp, 95.5; tomatoes, 93.7; cloverseed, 93.6; strawberries, 91.5; grapes, 88.2; apples, 85.8; millet seed, 85.7; raspberries, 78; blackberries, 76.6."

"The condition of other crops compared with average conditions, at or near time of gathering, was as follows: Sugar cane, 104.1; rice, 102.3; sugar beets, 100.9; lemons, 99.3; cotton, 98.9; oranges, 95.5."

#### DROPS FROM CLOUDS.

Hoxsey Escaped Unhurt, But His Biplane Is Smashed.

Baltimore, Md. (Special).—In an attempt to pull down from the skies the altitude record prize of \$2,500, which was offered by General Agnes in the name of The American and The Star, Arch Hoxsey, the Wright aviator, plunged in his biplane to the earth from a height of 2,000 feet at the Halethorpe aviation meet, but was uninjured. His machine, the Baby Grand, and the same one in which Ralph Johnstone made 9,714 feet, and thus broke the world's record for altitude at the recent Belmont Park meet, was badly damaged, but it will be repaired, and the daring man will again ascend for the valuable prize.

Hoxsey was the first man on the field, and when his machine was rolled to the course the crowd of 15,000 persons cheered again and again, for Hoxsey has been on the grounds twice in the past two days, and each time he appeared he met with accidents forcing him to keep out of the contests for the remainder of the day.

#### NOVEL WAY TO MAKE LIVING.

Woman Confesses To Faking Accidents On Railroads.

New York (Special).—Mrs. Anna S. Strula confessed in General Sessions Court that she had obtained her livelihood by her ability to fake accidents on railroad property, and then compromise her suits for damages. She pleaded guilty to having obtained \$500 from the New York Central Railroad by fraud, and was remanded for sentence.

Mrs. Strula faked her "accident" by taking a tumble on a banana peel selected from a grip she carried, and then led physicians to believe that she was internally hurt. In this manner she is said to have recovered by settlement or suit from no less than six railroads.

#### PULLMAN CO. YIELDS.

Will Put Out Lower Tariffs for Sleeping Car Berths.

Chicago (Special).—The Pullman Company has bowed to the power of the Interstate Commerce Commission. The directors decided that further opposition to the commission's power to fix rates for sleeping-car berths would be futile.

The result will be that in a short time cheaper rates for berths and lower charges for upper than for lower berths will be put into effect.

#### Councilman A Suicide.

Trenton, N. J. (Special).—John T. Wayman, Jr., who was elected to City Council here on the Democratic ticket, committed suicide by hanging in the barn in the rear of his house. Financial trouble, it is thought, caused Mr. Wayman to end his life. Mr. Wayman's death will not change the political complexion of the councilmanic body, the Democrats still retaining a majority.

#### Sentenced To Go To Church.

Kansas City (Special).—"Break rock for 100 days or go to church every Sunday for six months." This is the way William Volker, president of the Board of Public Welfare, sentenced three boys after they had been convicted of throwing eggs at pedestrians. The lads were arrested on a charge of having thrown eggs at men who passed near their homes, and their parents refused to come to their aid. All chose to attend church.

## TAFT SAILS AWAY ON HIS PANAMA TRIP

### His Pennant Flutters From the Big Ship Tennessee.

#### THE CRUISER MONTANA AS CONVOY

Battleship Montana Acts As Convoy On Trip To the Panama Canal Zone—President Will Be In Constant Touch With This Country By Wireless and Business Will Be Attended To.

On board the United States ship Montana, Charleston, S. C. (Special).—With big guns booming a presidential salute, President Taft steamed away from Charleston for Panama on the armored cruiser Tennessee. The guns of the Montana and the Tennessee joined in the salute as the President went aboard his vessel and it immediately got under way.

For some days the Tennessee will be the seat of government of the United States. The President's pennant fluttered from her masthead as she cleared from the road's bed. Her wireless apparatus sputtered constantly. The Tennessee will be in constant touch with land, so that the President will be always able to exercise the functions of his office. He has an army physician with him in addition to his naval and military aides and Secretary Norton.

Executive business will be disposed of all the way down to the Isthmus and back, and on the Canal Zone such important questions as the location of the canal fortifications, the future of the Panama Railroad, the matter of coal pockets, canal rates, etc., will be disposed of. Four days will be spent ashore and the President expects to be back in the States by November 22.

During the entire trip the Tennessee will be convoyed by her sister ship, the Montana, Captain Quinby, steaming 300 yards behind. Capt. Henry Kuepp commands the Tennessee, while Rear Admiral Staunton is in command of the squadron. The Montana carries the newspaper men. The President was met at the station in Charleston at 7 o'clock by Governor Ansell, Mayor Rhett, Admiral Staunton, Lieutenant Commander Sweet, his flag officer and Rear Admiral Fox, commandant of the Charleston Navy Yard.

Breakfast followed at the home of Mayor Rhett, after which the President was driven about the city. He delivered a brief address to two delegations of school children and then was taken on board the Tennessee. In the President's party were Charles P. Taft, his brother; his aids, Capt. Archibald Butt, and Lieutenant Commander Palmer, and Major Thomas L. Rhoades, the army surgeon, who goes along to take care of the health of the party.

#### GREAT BRIDGE DEDICATED.

Breaks Monopoly Which For Years Handicapped Business.

St. Louis, Mo. (Special).—The new McKinley Bridge, the largest spanning the Mississippi River, was formally dedicated with imposing ceremonies. Governor Hadley, of Missouri, and Governor Deneen, of Illinois, were the central figures in the exercises. The other participants included Mayor Kreismann, of St. Louis, the Mayors of numerous cities on the Illinois side of the river and representatives of many commercial organizations. Speech making, parades and fireworks were features of the program.

The new bridge was constructed at a cost of \$3,000,000 by the McKinley traction interests, controlling large interurban railway lines in this section.

#### TOOK GASOLINE FOR WATER.

Woman Dashes Liquid On Blaze, and Explosion Follows.

Stonington, Me. (Special).—Mistaking gasoline in a pan for water, Mrs. Edward Wood, wife of a lobster fisherman, dashed the liquid over a small blaze in the kitchen of her home and in the explosion which followed her six-year-old son and four-year-old daughter perished. Mrs. Wood was also seriously burned so that recovery is doubtful.

#### Rev. Dr. C. A. Stanley Dead.

Boston, Mass. (Special).—Rev. Dr. Charles Alfred Stanley, for nearly half a century a missionary in China for the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, died at the residence of his daughter in Winthrop, aged 75 years. Rev. Dr. Stanley was a native of Fearing, O., and was a graduate of Marietta College in the class of 1858.

#### Alabama On the Boom.

Washington, D. C. (Special).—The Census Bureau made public the following population returns: Alabama—State, 2,138,092. Last census, 1,828,697; increase, 16.9.

#### Congressman-elect A Bankrupt.

Seranton, Pa. (Special).—Congressman-elect Benjamin K. Focht, of the Seventeenth Pennsylvania district, filed a bankruptcy petition here. His liabilities are given as \$275,000 and the assets \$175,000.

## AWAITING TRIAL, KILLS TWO

Slayer Comes to Ask About Charge—Tried to Commit Suicide.

Boston (Special).—Two men were shot and killed in the district attorney's office in the county courthouse in Boston. The victims were Police Sergeant Frederick Schlehuber and Frank A. Rees.

The assassin is Walter G. Fall, a young man of 25, who was employed in the office of the sealer of weights and measures in the statehouse. Fall had been arrested on the charge of having made an attack upon Esther H. Fogg, aged 14 years, a step-daughter of Rees. The case was to come up soon, and Fall, accompanied by his attorney, Benjamin F. Haines, went to the courthouse to ask about it.

At the district attorney's office were Rees and the police sergeant, who were witnesses against Fall. Shortly after Fall entered he began shooting. His first bullet killed Rees. He then shot twice at Schlehuber, who fell unconscious. He died on his way to the hospital.

Officers in the room grappled with Fall, and arrested him after a struggle. He seemed determined to kill himself, and fired two shots during the struggle, but none of the later shots took effect.

That the tragedy had been deliberately planned by Fall was established when the police learned that he had telephoned to an undertaker and had made arrangements for his own funeral.

One of the bullets narrowly missed District Attorney Pelletier. Pelletier said Fall would have escaped prison as Rees had been willing to compromise for the sake of the girl.

#### NEARLY GOT \$65,000.

Lone Robber Discovered In National Bank In Time.

Richmond, Ind. (Special).—A lone robber almost succeeded in looting the National Bank at Camden, a few miles east of here and getting away with \$65,000 in the safe. After he had drilled the hole and was in the act of placing the dynamite charge that would have enabled him to put his hands upon the booty he was discovered by W. H. Deshwall.

Deshwall ran from his house across the street, revolver in hand, to prevent the robbery. The crook saw him coming and jumped out of a window, making his escape. He ran a few miles out of Camden, where he stole a horse to continue his flight. He was not captured.

#### DEATH IN AUTO CRASH.

Passengers Spilled Out and John B. George Dies Of Injuries.

Allentown, Pa. (Special).—As the result of an automobile collision at midnight, John B. George, president of the American Fire Company, died in a hospital here. George and Moulton V. Kleckner were returning home in a taxicab, after completing arrangements for a parade of the Allentown Fire Department, when the vehicle was run into by another taxicab. The passengers in both machines were spilled into the street and George sustained a fractured skull. Kleckner was slightly injured.

#### METCALF'S SON DEAD.

Father Was Member Of The Roosevelt Cabinet.

Colorado Springs, Col. (Special).—Victor H. Metcalf, Jr., 27 years old, eldest son of Victor H. Metcalf, former secretary of the navy under President Roosevelt, is dead, following a general breakdown resulting from an attack of pneumonia. His father, mother, wife and younger brother were at his bedside. The body was taken to Oakland, Cal., for interment.

#### WOMEN IN LEGISLATURE.

Member Colorado's Last House Elected With Three New Ones.

Denver, Col. (Special).—Four women will sit in the Eighteenth General Assembly of Colorado as the result of the elections. They are Alma Lafferty, Louise U. Jones and Louise M. Kerwin, all elected to the State House of Representatives from Denver districts on the Democratic ticket, and Agnes Riddle, Republican, representing Ames, Arapahoe and Elbert counties.

In the last General Assembly Mrs. Lafferty, who was re-elected, was the only woman representative. There are no woman senators.

#### Judge Kills Treasurer.

Muskogee, Okla. (Special).—J. C. McBrayer, treasurer of Haskell county, was shot and killed by A. L. Beckett, judge of Haskell county, as a result of an election quarrel. Both men were Democrats. McBrayer had attacked Beckett with a hoe. Beckett is in jail.

#### Kills His Best Friend.

Thomasville, Ga. (Special).—C. T. Prince was shot and killed here by C. W. Byrd, who for a long time has been his closest friend. Byrd surrendered and said he fired in self-defense, when Prince was advancing upon him with a knife.

#### Prisoners Set Fire To Jail.

Morehead, Ky. (Special).—Six prisoners, after setting fire to the Roman county jail here, escaped in the confusion. The jail was destroyed.

## MURDER CHARGE AGAINST PLAYER

McCoy, of Bethany College, Said to Have Caused Munk's Death.

#### THE CORONER HOLDS AN INQUEST

Referee Of Football Game At Wheeling Says Leftend Of Bethany College Team Struck West Virginia Captain On Back Of Head—Coach Declares Slugging Had Been Going On All Through the Battle—Munk Injured Last Year and Had Never Fully Recovered.

Wheeling, W. Va. (Special).—Charging him with the wilful murder of Rudolph Munk, left halfback and captain of the West Virginia University football team, Coroner W. W. Rogers issued a warrant for Thomas McCoy, alias Gardner, left end of the Bethany College team. The warrant has been placed in the hands of Constable W. W. Wickham and McCoy will be arrested tomorrow morning.

The warrant was issued because of the sworn statement made today to Coroner Rogers by Homer N. Young, of Pittsburg, Pa., a former Michigan University player, who was the official referee of the game. His statement is as follows:

"Rudolph Munk was running down the field in advance of the man with the ball, West Virginia having the ball about 30 yards from the Bethany goal. He was not close to the ball. On this play he was met by a man said to be Gardner, as his name was given to me by Townsend, the coach for the Bethany team. On this particular play this man Gardner ran towards Munk while both were running down the field. About the time they got 10 yards beyond the scrimmage line Gardner, to the best of my recollection, struck Munk on the back of his head with his (Gardner's) fist. Munk fell and Gardner practically fell over him. Gardner got on his feet, for an instant gazed at Munk and started to walk off the field. For this foul I put him out of the game. He made no reply and no protest whatever. Munk was unconscious. Evidently to me the blow which felled Munk was intentional."

McCoy is the real name of the player who is charged with striking Munk, but in this game he was playing under the name of Gardner. After he had been ordered from the field he passed the bleachers, where several hundred West Virginia rooters were standing. Cries of "Dirty player" and "Tough" came from the crowd and in reply McCoy said, "Well, he was slugging me all through the game."

Dr. O. M. Staats rushed to the side of the player and hurriedly placing him in an automobile rushed him to the City Hospital. Half a score of physicians worked over him, but all to no avail. He died shortly after 8 o'clock without having regained consciousness.

Captain Henley, of Bethany, when asked concerning the play, said: "It is the consensus of opinion among the Bethany and players that Munk hit McCoy and McCoy hit him back. None of the Bethany players saw the play, nor do I think the officials did, as all were watching the man with the ball."

#### BOY PUSHED INTO BONFIRE.

Youth Who Poured Kerosene On Lad's Head Arrested.

New York (Special).—Accused of pouring kerosene on a boy companion's head and then throwing him into a bonfire because he declined to aid him in gathering material for the fire, Phillip Seckler, 15 years old, of East Two Hundred and Fourteenth street, was arrested and was turned over to the Children's Society, charged with juvenile delinquency.

Flora Barnardo, 13 years old, of Carpenter avenue, the boy who accuses Seckler, is in the Fordham Hospital suffering with burns about the arms, legs and body. His injuries, the physicians say, are serious and may result in his death.

#### Blackmailer's Excuse.

New York (Special).—Peter Lihijon, who wrote a threatening letter to John D. Rockefeller demanding \$50,000, was held in \$1,000 bail for the grand jury. The prisoner said he wrote the letter because he had no home and wanted to be arrested, that he might have shelter.

#### Blow For Women.

Phoenix, Ariz. (Special).—Woman's suffrage received a blow when the Constitutional Convention by a vote of 15 to 28 defeated the Connely proposition instructing the first State Legislature at its first session to submit the question to a referendum vote.

#### Heavy Influx Of Gold.

Seattle (Special).—More than ten million dollars' worth of gold has been received by the United States assay office here since the first of the year, according to a statement given out by the assayer. The total receipts from January 1 to November 8 from Alaska and British America is given as \$10,507,621. Of this amount \$9,309,109 came from Alaska; \$1,036,296 from British Columbia and \$197,021 from the Yukon Territory. Other sources in Canada contributed \$64,994.