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### THE BOY AND THE GUN.

Each season brings its own sport or pastimes, game or fad for the boys. The autumn and winter are the seasons when many boys hunt or shoot a great deal, says the Omaha Bee. This should be the time, then, for the reiteration of that old warning about the "I-didn't-know-it-was-loaded" accident. Boys should be careful with their shooting irons, and never fail to know whether they are loaded or not. Two boys were out shooting a few days ago and one, thinking his gun was empty, aimed it at the other and pulled the trigger. The other dropped dead. "I didn't know it was loaded." wailed the one who killed him, echoing the wall of scores of others who had at sometime been as criminally negligent as himself. No boy or man has a right to aim a firearm at another person, and when he does it, whether harm comes of it or not, he should be made to feel that he has done something he should not. Parents can well afford to deny guns and pistols to their boys until they have reached such ages as will make them capable of realizing their dangers. If they must have guns, they should be cautioned against careless use of them. It sometimes seems trite to speak of warning boys against such things, but if they were warned often enough such distressing accidents would be fewer.

Pittsburg is growing at a fairly rapid rate, but wants to increase still more swiftly. That smoky town has an ambition to reach the 1,000,000 mark in population, and is bending every effort in that direction. For one thing. Pittsburg is pushing the project for a ship canal from that city to Lake Erie, by which it is hoped to increase still further the already great industrial activity of that district. Other schemes include a big rapidtransit system, with subway attachments, bringing various points into easier reach; educational and other expansion, and numerous improvements designed to increase the attractiveness and convenience of the city and its environs. And Pittsburg seems to have sufficient public spirit to carry out the great work suggested.

The census figures continue to give interesting results. Mention has been made of the fact that there are now in



Crossing Border.

TO ENFORCE STRICT NEUTRALITY.

HURRIES TROOPS

President Diaz May Ask the United States for Permission to Send

Mexican Federal Troops Over Thursday, American Territory-4,500 U. S. Cavalrymen Will Now Patrol the

Border of Texas and California-Juarez Is Deserted by Nearly All Its Citizens.

Washington, D. C. - The acute Forbes of the islands. Governor rush twelve additional troops of cav- for relief. alry to the frontier to preserve the

into Mexico, but also will prohibit de-States.

This action was based upon strong divided the affected territory into bands of revolutionaries have been to the scene to aid in the work.

entering Mexico at isolated places along the southern boundary of the United States. Furthermore, it was declared, the revolutionists have crossed the Rio Grande from Mexico. entering the United States for the purpose of making their way undisturbed through American territory and then re-entering Mexico for the which he had planned to take the purpose of operating against a strategic point. In reply to the protests

ment has assured that country that every measure will be adopted with with rumors to the effect that his a view to preventing any violation of a neutral attitude on the part of America.

### To Patrol Border.

Orders for the dispatch of the re- United States and Canada. inforcements to the border line were issued by the War Department Fri- that numerous invitations to visit day. cavalry, consisting of about 750 men, ing the tour assume too large profour will be sent from the Presidio, portions are the reasons assigned at Cal., six from Fort Meade, S. D., and the White House for the cancellation two from Fort Wingate, N. M. This of the trip. It is believed in many will make the total military repre- quarters, however, that Mr. Taft is sentation of the United States align- clearing the decks of all butabsoluteed along the frontier 22 troops of ly necessary engagements so that, in cavalry, or about 1,500 men.

government is contemplating asking this session, he can be prepared for the United States for permission to an extra session. bring Mexican troops from Sonora, Mex., over American territory into Ciudad Juarez. The request has not yet taken definite form, but if it is made it is believed that the theory Wife, Objecting to Divorce, Wounds will be advanced by Mexico that the neutrality of the United States will not be violated by favorable action Driven half mad by the thought of on the proposition in view of the being divorced by her husband, Mrs. fact that the belligerency of the revolution has not been recognized by this government.

**Army Ordinance Bureau Experts** Manila .--- Revised estimates places the number of those killed by the

DEAD NUMBER SIX HUNDRED FROZEN DYNAMITE

SAVED NEW YORK

ARE

Render An Opinion.

INVESTIGATIONS

Licensed to Carry Explosives.

Seventy thousand pounds of

Two tugs alongside, much of

The blast jarred Manhattan

Estimates of the dead reach

Skyscrapers in New York

rocked, ferryboats were almost

blown over, thousands of win-

dows smashed, and panic seized

Many believed an earthquake

The property damaged is es-

the crowds in many places.

the pier and about 30 men work-

ing near by were blown to atoms.

Island and the Jersey shore as

far as Long Branch, 45 miles

50 or more, and the wounded

number hundreds, many of them

dynamite exploded from some

unknown cause on a Jersey City

pier.

distant.

fatally hurt.

had occurred.

of New Jersey.

000

timated at millions.

eruptions of Mount Taal, and drown-THREE ed in the tidal waves, at 600. These include many in the two hamlets which are being excavated on the Metropolis Saved From Far Worse north shore of Taal Island. Sixtytwo bodies were buried in a trench

Washington .- To meet conditions of suffering in the Philippines incident to the eruption of the Mount Taal volcano, the American National Red Cross Society in Washington has cabled \$1,000 to Governor General

revolutionary situation along the Forbes is president of the Philipnorthern border of Mexico Friday pine branch of the Red Cross which moved the American government to already has taken active measures

The Governor reports, however, neutrality of the United States. The that unless adequate means are American military forces will pre- adopted there will be much suffervent not only the movement of revo- ing, as mud and lava have destroyed lutionary bands from this country the crops of thousands of families. Col. William C. Rives of the army feated rebels with arms from seeking and assistant chief of the Phillippine refuge on the territory of the United constabulary, has been placed in charge of all relief work. He has

representations from the Mexican districts. Additional detachments of government to the effect that armed the constabulary are being rushed

Washington .--- President Taft's announcement that the Southern tour early part of next month would be canceled, with the exception of the started political tongues to wagging purpose was to prepare for a possible extra session of Congress in case the present session fails to enact the reciprocity agreement between the

Pressure of business and the fact Of the twelve companies of many places in the South were mak-( se he should find it impossible to It is understood that the Mexican get his reciprocity measure through

They further declared their opin-

near the boiler room and partially

Will Never Know Cause.

just what caused the explosion. We

War Department, with which we

Was Not Licensed.

"We have gone far enough now,"

by concussion.

thawed out

# JOHN MITCHELL FORCED OUT He Calls Union's Action a Cruel

Injustice.

Columbus, O. (Special). --- By a vote on roll call of 1,213 to 967, the United Mineworkers Tuesday adopt-ON ed an amendment to their constitution, providing that members of the National Civic Federation must for-Disaster Because Twenty Tons of workers of America, which amendfelt membership in the United Mine-Dynamite Were Frozen and Was ment forces John Mitchell, former Free From Danger of Concussion- president of the mineworkers' or-Dead and Missing Number Thirty- ganization, either to give up his position with the federation or resign three-The Destroyed Lighter Not

from the miners' union. The vote on roll call followed a standing vote of 446 to 344 taken in the morning, which favored adoption of the amendment.

Following the completion of the roll call and before the vote was announced, a telegram from John Mitchell, who had been informed of the standing vote of the convention, was read by Secretary Perry.

The text of Mitchell's telegram was:

"I am advised that, by amendment of constitution. I am deprived of my membership in the United Mineworkers of America unless I relinquish my membership in the National Civic Federation.

"While I regard this action as a cruel injustice, following, as it has, an overwhelming vote of confidence on the part of the miners of the country, as evidenced by my election as a delegate to the American Federation of Labor, and coming at a time when the enemies of labor are exerting their every influence to New York .--- Agents of the Du Pont have affirmed by the Supreme Court

de Nemours Powder Company, the of the United States the sentence of prosecutor of Hudson county, N. J., nine months' imprisonment imposed and inspectors of the Bureau of Ex- upon me because of a resolution plosives of the Ordnance Bureau of adopted by a miners' convention, yet the War Department started separate I recognize the legal right of the coninvestigations in the frightful ex- vention to enact the legislation, and plosion of dynamite at the Commu- while I believe that an investigation nipaw piers of the Central Railroad should have been made by your convention before passing judgment No arrests have been made, no averse to the National Civic Federacause for the explosion had been tion and against me personally, nevfixed, and no additional bodies were ertheless, I submit to your wishes, found. The list of dead and missing although I shall live in the consciousstill stands at about 33 and the prop- ness that the men and women at erty damage ranges close to \$1,000,- home, for whom I worked for so many years, will not concur in your The interesting opinion was exconclusions.

pressed by the Army Ordnance Bu-The amendment was considered at reau experts after their examination the two previous annual sessions of of the scene of the disaster that the the United Mine Workers. Last year city had been saved from a far worse he was credited with having said that disaster through the fact that from he would give up his position with 12 to 20 tons of dynamite on the the Civic Federation before breaking spot was frozen and, therefore, large- his connection with the miners, ly free from the danger of explosion Mitchell will have until April 1 to determine what action he shall take. Socialists were largely instru-

ion that no dynamite exploded ex- mental in coming to the aid of the



HAMPTON'S RETRACTS CHARGE MADE AGAINST STANDARD OIL COMPANY.

DID NOT SELL IMPURE CANDY

Magazine Publisher and Writer of Alleged Libeious Article, Because of Which Corporation Brought Suit, Declare They Were Mistaken.

New York .- In the matter of the libel suits brought by the Standard Oil company for \$250,000 damages against Hampton's Magazine and for \$100,000 damages against Cleveland Moffett, the former the publisher, and the latter the writer, of an article in the February issue of the magazine which defamed the company in connection with the sale of glucose and candy in Philadelphia, the following retractions have been signed in the office of Shearman & Sterling, the Standard Oil company's lawyers in the case, and have been issued from the company's offices at No. 26 Broadway:

"Hampton's Magazine, 66 West Thirty-fifth St., New York.

"Jan. 31, 1911. 'Standard Oil Company, 26 Broadway, New York.

"Dear Sirs: In the February issue of Hampton's Magazine there was published an article written by me, entitled, 'Cassidy and the Food Poisoners.' In that article I referred to the investigation of Mr. Cassidy, with respect to the manufacture and sale of impure candies in Philadelphia, and made the statement that your company manufactured and sold impure material which went into these candies and that, when the various dealers were arrested and fined, at the instance of Mr. Cassidy, your company paid the fines.

"Upon investigation, I, have ascertained that your company was in no way connected with the transactions referred to and I hasten to retract in the fullest manner all charges made against your company and to express my sincere regret that I should have fallen into this serious error. Yours truly, Cleveland Moffett."

"Jan. 31, 1911. Standard Oil Company, New York City.

"Dear Sirs: Referring to foregoing letter of Mr. Cleveland Moffett to you, we beg to state that we are convinced that Mr. Moffett was in error in his statements with reference to your company. We greatly regret that these errors should have been made. It is the desire of Hampton's Magazine to be accurate and fair in all things. In our March number we will

publish this letter and the foregoing

letter of Mr. Moffett. Yours truly,

Benj. B. Hampton, President Broad-

LORIMER LASHED BY BROWN

Nebraskan Threatens to Hold Up Ap-

propriation Bills If Vote on Scan-

dal is Not Ordered.

of Nebraska in a speech before the sen-

ate charged that Senator William Lor-

imer of Illinois must have known that

his election to the senate by the Illi-

nois legislature was accomplished by

corrupt practice. He held that Sena-

tors Holstlaw and Broderick and Rep-

resentatives Lee O'Neil Browne,

White, Link, Beckemeyer and Wilson

had been bought to elect Lorimer sen-

ator; that Browne and Speaker Ed-

ward D. Shurtleff of the Illinois house

of representatives were the political

agents of Mr. Lorimer in accomplish-

ing his election, and that it was not

possible for the election to have been

brought about under the conditions

then existing except by corrupt prac-

tices. Mr. Brown devoted most of his

remarks to an analysis of the testi-

mony which involved directly the rela-

tions of Lorimer, Shurtleff and

Browne and the relations of Browne

with his thirty minority followers. Mr.

Brown issued a challenge to obstruc-

tionists that he would hold up appro-

priation bills unless the senate votes

at this session on the Lorimer case,

the resolution pertaining to the elec-

tion of senators by the people, the bill

to create a permanent tariff board and

WARREN IS SHC'/N LENIENCY

Socialistic Editor Convicted of Mis-

using the Mails Has Sentence

Washington .- President Taft Wed-

nesday commuted the sentence of Fred

D. Warren, the Socialistic editor who

was recently sentenced to six

months' imprisonment and \$1,500 fine,

by striking out the imprisonment and

reducing the fine to \$100, to be col-

lected by civil process only. Warren

was convicted in the federal court of

Increased Tariffs Are Held Up.

Washington .--- Increases in freight

rates on fruits and vegetables from

Chicago and Milwaukee to various des-

tinations in other states, filed with the

cago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railways.

The commission is of the opinion that

the advances are too radical and will

make an investigation of their rea-

sonableness.

a technical misuse of the mails,

Commuted by President.

a general service pension bill.

Washington .- Senator Norris Brown

way Magazine, Inc."

CANCELS LONG TRIP SOUTH. President Clears Decks For Extra

Session if Necessary.

of Mexico, the United States govern- visit to Atlanta on March 10, has

the United States 50 cities with a population of 100,000 or more, a notable gain in ten years, as there were but 38 such citles in 1900. Now the census bureau, having compiled the returns, announces that there are in this country 19 cities with a popula tion reaching or exceeding 250,000. In 1900 there were 15 towns included in that class. From this it appears that, while there has been marked gain in many cities, large and small. the proportion has been greatest among municipalities of moderate size

Also they do some things better in Germany. A reckless chauffeur who killed an American woman when he ran into a crowd of theatergoers has been sent to the penitentiary for 15 months

It is said that one of the prominent female colleges is going to insist on proficiency in spelling and writing in the students. This looks as if the higher education were meditating a return to the simple life.

Some New York undertakers are said to be in league with preachers and sextons. It might be worse, as there is no evidence offered that undertakers are in league with doctors.

It is reported that there has been a revival of poetry in England. If the poets can manage to get through this winter there may be a chance for some of them, after all.

A New York boy is to have a legacy of \$10,000 provided he does not enter the ministry. Isn't that an awful prospect for the average small boy to contemplate?

The Massachusetta man who saws wood daily at the age of 100 finds that he doesn't need any gymnasium exercise.

That Chicago philosopher who advocates the eating of four meals a day provides a long-awaited antidote to Brother Fletcher.

A man in Maryland wants a divorce because he is adfraid of his wife. Apparently he considers his condition unique.

A Frenchman, having taken the world's altitude record away from America, that nation is entitled to the honor of being the flightier.

I Poverty does nearly everything to a man except to take away his appetite.

### MEDALS FOR HEROIC DOGS.

To Reward Canines That Save Lives or Rout Burglars.

New York .- Canine heroism will head and body, will die. no longer pass unrewarded. The small animals committee of the New York Woman's League for Animals. of which Mrs. James Speyer is presihuman lives, drive off burglars, catch and awakening the entire town, a signee had come with his waybill to said to be a record for man-lifting thieves or perform other acts of heroism will hereafter receive official rec- automobile with \$2,400 from the seal of the car, as had been done in ognition of their bravery through the league, and their owners will be presented with medals.

#### COURT IN UPROAR.

#### Charles Smith Discovers a New Crime in Maryland.

before Judge Fawcett to plead to an evidence against him in connection into the business of transporting ex- tween this city and Harrison. indictment for a minor offense. "Smith," the judge addressed him, were you ever convicted of any crime before?"

"Yes, sir," the man answered, leaders to be convicted. promptly, "I once got married in Maryland.

It required several minutes to restore order in the courtroom.

Coffee Trust Alleged.

Washington, D. C .- The existence through 10 states and declared there vestigation of the explosion was incalled to the attention of the De- Clark for President. partment of Justice. It is charged that the marketing of Brazilian coffee is entirely in the hands of a committee which controls the market and is now planning an advance of four Railroad Company has given the lo- ber suggestions for regulations to quired a two-third majority, 67 cents a pound. The statement made cal car shops an order for 1000 open prevent a repetition of the explosion. votes, to pass. to the department declares that the gondola cars. The order will keep committee is preparing to market the car shopmen busy for several 78,000,000 pounds of beans at an months. additional profit of \$3,000,000.

# To Have American Advisers.

cial advisers.

#### Popular Vote on Suffrage.

Sacramento, Cal .- The Constitutional amendment providing for the 45 years old, banker and prominent Committee on Finance, amounts to brother of the British foreign minsubmission of the question of woman horseman, committed suicide at Ot- \$49,440,000. Of this amount, \$13,- ister, was severely mauled by a lion suffrage to a popular vote was passed tawa, Ill., by leaping into the Illinois 500,000 will go to the Board of Ed- Sunday near the Athi River, East amendment already has passed the River from a bridge. Loss of \$75,- ucation. by the Assembly, 65 to 6. The Senate.

### Tablet Voted for Greeley.

Legislature, the birthplace of Horace put money in the bank, lost all they fleet around the world in 1908-1909, greatest difficulty and is recovering Greeley, in Amherst, will be marked had, are believed to have beca the died at the Naval Medical School Hos- from his injuries. The accident is causes of his suicide. by a tablet.

FIRED SHOT FROM MUFF.

# Husband and Herself.

South Bend, Ind. (Special) .--Alice E. Baker, wife of William M. Baker, a wealthy building contractor, the Jersey Central, "to be certain attempted to kill him in a crowded we nor the authorities will ever know downtown street. She then turned the smoking revolver on herself and do know that the railroad cannot be tried to commit suicide. Baker will held responsible. As common carlive, but the woman, who is in the riers the law requires us to accept hospital with bullet wounds in her explosives at the published rates, and

### Robbers Loot Bank.

Galesburg, Ill. (Special) .- After complied. Once we had delivered a exploding six charges of nitroglycerin car at the terminal and the conband of bank robbers escaped in an take possession and had broken the Bank of Swan Creek, near here. The this case, it was out of our control robbers cut all wires so that no com- and our responsibility had ceased. munication could be had. A posse

is in pursuit.

#### Lyncher is Found Guilty.

Newark, O. - William McKinley, a shopkeeper, was found guilty of and added that all the city authoriwith the lynching here last July of plosives four years ago, he said, he

### Clark for President.

Montgomery, Mo. (Special). -

Champ Clark's opponent for Con- other license was required." gress, has just returned from a tour

of an alleged coffee trust has been is an uprising in the West for Champ troduced at a meeting of the New Michigan legislature by a vote of 55

#### "Pennsy" Orders 1000 Cars.

### Thirty Killed in Wreck.

Teheran, Persia,-Parliament vot- of the pasenger train at Valencia was son Hall, at the University of Chi- attending physician says that his paed to engage five American finan- caused by a washout of the roadbed, cago. The design is the work of tient would be able to leave the san-Thirty persons were kiled.

#### Banker Ends Life.

Aurora, Ill .-- Robert M. Newton,

000 in the failure of a bank at Bill-

ings, Mont., recently, and despond-

cept that already stored on the Kath- Lewis forces in adopting the amenderine W. It was their belief that a ment. A few Socialists, however, boiler explosion on the vessel set off voted against it. some dynamite that had been stored

LIFTED 400 FEET BY KITES. Lieutenant On Cruiser Pennsylvania

Takes Many Pictures.

Santa Barbara, Cal.-Lieut, John said Vice-President W. C. Beeler, of Rodgers was lifted 400 feet from the deck of the cruiser Pennsylvania by man-raising kites.

The warship was steaming twelve knots against an eight-knot breeze at the time and Rodgers, suspended from the kite cable, 100 feet astern, made observations and camera views under the supervision and regulafor fifteen minutes. tions of the Ordnance Bureau of the

He signaled the results of his observations to the officers on the ship. The altitude attained by Rodgers is

The officer was carried up by a train of eleven kites.

### TWELVE MEN DROWNED.

#### James Healing, owner of the de- Accident on Bridge Over Passaic stroyed lighter, Katherine W., ad-River, at Newark.

mitted without hesitancy that he Newark, N. J. (Special) .- Police had no license to carry explosives headquarters was notified here that several men, probably 11, had lost New York .- Charles Smith was up manslaughter by a jury which heard ties knew it, too. When he first went their lives in the Passaic River be-

> There was an accident of some Carle Thornington, a detective for had inquired about a license and sort on the Centre street bridge, a the "dry" element of the community, never could find that one was re- Pennsylvania Railroad structure, re-McKinley is the second of the mob quired. "Four of my men," he said cently acquired by the McAdoo tun-

> Of late gangs of workmen had did, from the United States Bureau been employed night and day installof Combustibles. I never knew, and ing a new draw and it is supposed nobody else handling explosives in that a collapse of part of the struc-Claude H. Ball, who was recently this harbor ever knew, that any ture threw them into the water.

> > A resolution providing for an in-Set Back for Woman Suffrage. Lansing, Mich. (Special) .--- The

York Chamber of Commerce by to 44 defeated the resolution calling Jacob H. Schiff. The resolution for the submission of the question calls upon the committee on harbor of woman suffrage to the people in Altoona, Pa. -- The Pennsylvania and shipping to submit to the cham- November, 1912. The measure re-

#### Bronze Bust of Rockefeller. Carrie Nation Is Recovering.

Chicago .--- A life-size bronze bust of John D. Rockefeller has been The condition of Carrie Nation, who

placed on the mantel over the fire- is in a sanitarium for a nervous Barcelona, Spain. - The derailing place in the south wall of Hutchin- breakdown, is much improved. The

> William Couper, of New York. itarium in less than a month.

#### Chicago's Budget.

Mauled by a Lion. Chicago. --- Chicago's budget for London (Special.)-George Gray, 1911, as prepared by the Council

Admiral Sperry Dead.

ency over the fact that some of his Charles S. Sperry, retired, who suc-1 him and worried him as a cat does Concord, N. H .- By vote of the relatives whom he had induced to cessfully piloted the United States a mouse. He was rescued with the

Leavenworth, Kan. (Special). -

Africa. He was stalking linn with Sir Alfred Pease and others, when

1, 1911. The tariffs were filed by the Washington, D. C .- Rear-Admiral one of the beasts chased and seized Chicago & Northwestern and the Chi-

interstate commerce commission and made effective Wednesday, were suspended by the commission until June

pital here Wednesday of pneumonia. ascribed to Mr. Gray's rashness.