

Should a man go about with a suit case bearing printed notices that he had been as far away from home as California, and had been to New York more than once and stopped at a hotel charging "three dollars a day and upward" or "patronized by wealth and fashion"—or should he employ someone to announce such facts at railroad stations, or at country houses where he arrives with his luggage to spend the week-end, he would be considered "impossible." Yet this is the spirit in which label-adorned luggage is carried about by more than half of those who carry it, says the Louisville Courier-Journal. And that is why they are not only willing, but anxious, to give foreign hotels advertising space upon their trunks, boxes and bags. Bragging in red, white and green letters of having crossed the Atlantic—or the Pacific—and having been quartered at high-priced hotels while abroad is not very good taste. It may be said truly enough that many travelers preferred a rusty and well-worn portmanteau or "kip bag" before the institution of the label advertisement, but they could at least plead modesty and assert that they did not like old luggage for its traveled appearance, but disliked new bags because of the attention they attracted. The only escape for the bearer of label-plastered baggage is to assert that he objects to the custom.

Awakening China has taken another leaf from the experience book of the progressive west. She is going to establish playgrounds in her cities. It was during the recent ravages of the plague in the crowded empire that some of the more enlightened of her rulers made the observation that western civilization was free from such wide-spread destruction of life as China had witnessed, says the Cleveland Plain Dealer. When they sought an explanation of the freedom of western peoples from deadly epidemics, they did not look far until they found it in the attention given to producing healthful living conditions. First of all the recent improvements they decided to seize was that of the scattering of breathing spots in the cities. Now Antung is to have a playground operated on the most modern of American plans. Public subscription provided for the purchase of a large tract of land, which is being fitted in such a way as to meet the demands of every class of the city's population.

A brightly polished iron golf club attracted a bolt of lightning which killed a golfer while he was playing on a Washington course. Better let the irons get a little rusty.

If those steamship companies continue to increase the size of their liners, we shall soon be able to walk from one end of the boat to the other and be half way across.

A man has succeeded in crossing from Providence, R. I., to Gibraltar in a twenty-foot yawl. Goodness, how he must have wanted to get away from Providence.

Desperadoes who tried to rob a man in Seattle recently ran away when their intended victim began to recite poetry. It may pay you to read poetry.

Chicago has an Enoch Arden who came home after an absence of twelve years, tried to smash the furniture, and was fined \$75. The original Enoch was by all odds the luckier of the two.

A movement has sprung up to have the clocks roll off 24 hours straight, and a man may yet try to use his lach key at 22 o'clock which would be by no means unduly late.

A St. Louis judge says he finds newspaper reporters as honest and reliable as lawyers. Some of the reporters will consider it a left-handed compliment.

A woman in Connecticut ordered the savings of her lifetime to be spent on her funeral. As the sagacious man in "The Mikado" remarked, there was plenty of fun, but she didn't see it.

St. Paul's business men who plan to move the bed of the Mississippi river will perhaps put it on casters.

Facts show that it is better to be shaken around in a steel car that leaves the rails than squeezed and cremated in a wooden car that collapses and burns.

Hardly appropriate to call an aeroplane a "roadster." Wouldn't "cloudster" be better?

If potatoes are to become legal tender cash registers will have to be rebuilt.

# TAFT STARTS ON HIS LONG TOUR

### Leaves Boston on Giant Swing Around Country.

#### PARTY TRAVELING IN LUXURY

Presidential Train Will Pass Through Twenty-four States and Will Not Reach Washington Until November 1.

Boston, Mass.—President Taft left Boston at 7.35 o'clock Friday night on his long speaking tour of 13,000 miles, which is to embrace 24 states and is to continue until November 1. His departure in the special train prepared for his party was signaled by an enthusiastic demonstration from several hundred persons gathered at the South Station to bid him goodspeed.

Mayor John F. Fitzgerald led the cheering. The Mayor had acted as spokesman a few minutes earlier for the United Charitable Irish Society of Boston, extending to President Taft an invitation to address that body on the occasion of its one hundred and fiftieth anniversary on March 17 next. The President said he could not make any appointments so far ahead, but would keep the matter in mind.

When the special train, which was run as the first section of a regular over the Boston and Albany Railroad, left the South Station the President's immediate party consisted of Secretary Charles D. Hillis; Major A. W. Butt, military aid, and Major Thomas L. Rhodes, U. S. A., the President's physician; three Secret Service guards and nine newspaper men. The train consisted of a baggage car, coach, the Pullman private car, ideal, to be occupied by the President and his immediate party; the Pullman compartment cars Texas and Florida and a dining car.

#### KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Party Were Returning to Cleveland From a Ciambake.

Cleveland, O.—Returning from a ciambake in the country, James Fitzpatrick was killed and William McElroy, Thomas Beyer and Louis Allenback were badly injured when the automobile in which they were riding ran into a ditch and overturned. The accident took place on Marcelline avenue. The occupants of the car were pinned beneath it.

#### Rice Famine in Philippines

Manila.—A rice famine threatens the Philippines. The price of the staple is already above all previous records and advancing by leaps. The supply on hand in the islands is very limited, and the general scarcity of the cereal throughout the Orient makes unlikely any substantial relief from importation.

#### President Taft is 54

Beverly, Mass.—Friday was President Taft's fifty-fourth birthday. In the morning the President played golf at Myopia. Representative Nicholas Longworth, of Ohio, was a luncheon guest at Paramatta. Congratulatory messages poured into the executive offices here from all over the world. One came from King George V of England.

#### 8-Story Home for John D. Jr.

New York.—Plans for the tallest private residence in New York city were filed with the Manhattan Bureau of Buildings by William Welles Bosworth, as architect for John D. Rockefeller, Jr. The structure is to be eight stories high, 41 by 100 feet, on a plot running through from Fifty-third to Fifty-fourth street, 290 feet west of Fifth avenue.

#### Y. M. C. A. and Hospital Burn

Glens Falls, N. Y.—Fire did \$100,000 damage to the business section of White Hall. The Y. M. C. A. building and Emergency Hospital were among the buildings destroyed.

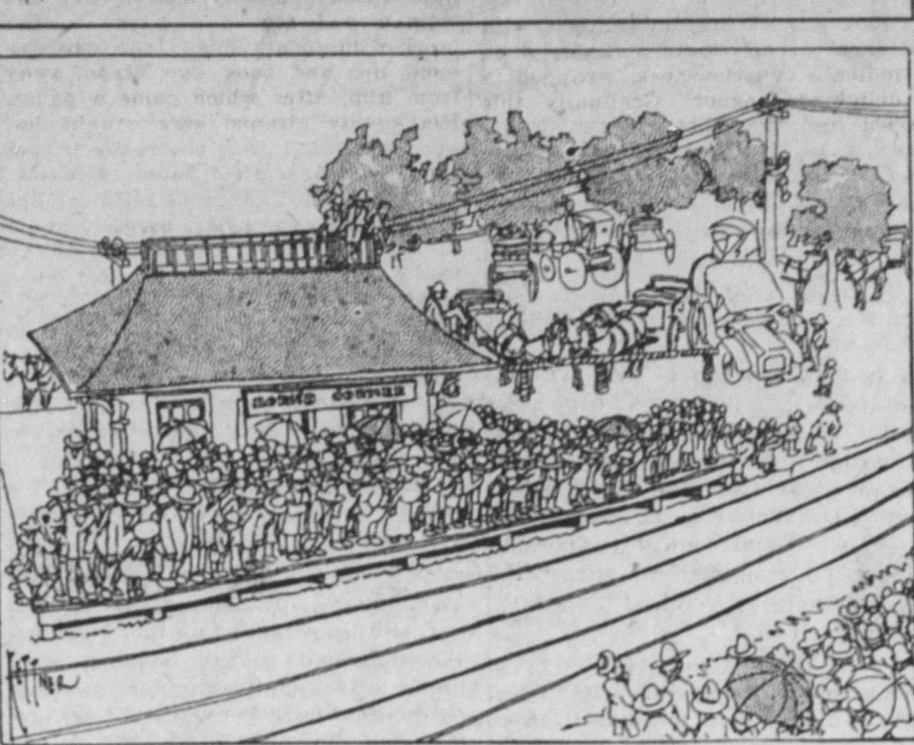
#### Record Salmon Pack

Seattle.—With the salmon packing season almost over on Puget sound it is estimated that the pack of pinks for this season will reach 750,000 cases, or nearly twice as much as in any previous year.

#### Postpone Peace Congress

Washington.—The International Peace Congress, which was scheduled to be held at Rome on September 25, has been postponed because of the cholera epidemic in that country.

# WAITING FOR THE TAFT TRAIN



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# GOVERNORS FOR STATE RIGHTS

### Twenty-five State Executives Protest to Supreme Court.

#### NEW IDEA IN OUR POLITICS

The Decision of Judge Sanborn in the Minnesota Rate Case is the 'Invasion' to which the Governors Object.

Spring Lake, N. J.—The House of Governors sprang a new idea in American politics. It voted, 25 to 1, to send a committee of three to appeal to the Supreme Court of the United States to check the autocracy of inferior Federal courts.

The occasion for the appeal will be the decision of Justice Sanborn, of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals, enjoining the Railroad Commission of Minnesota, from regulating interstate rates on the ground that such regulation could not be enforced and would deprive the roads of proper remuneration and would interfere with interstate commerce.

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#### BELLE ELMORE'S JEWELS SOLD

An Auction Recalls the Notorious Crippen Case.

London.—The jewelry which belonged to Belle Elmore, the American actress for whose murder her husband, Dr. H. H. Crippen, was hanged, was disposed of in an auction-room here. The lot brought about \$800, the best price realized being \$325, which was given for a single stone brilliant ring. The "flaming sun" brooch, which figured in the trial of Crippen, brought only \$100.

#### Will Save \$2,000,000

Washington.—A saving to the government of fully \$2,000,000 on the transmission of periodical mails by fast freight was estimated by Postmaster General Hitchcock, after a two-week trial of this method of shipment. The plan was put in effect September 1, and during that time everything has gone along smoothly and satisfactorily. The Postmaster General says the system is proving highly successful and that the leading magazine publishers of the country were co-operating with his department.

#### Murderer Found Dead

Kenton, O.—Officers hunting for the slayer of Della Halsey, who was shot to death, discovered the body of Jesse Newman, a rejected suitor of the girl, in a barn on his father's farm. It is believed Newman, when he heard of officers in pursuit, committed suicide.

#### Toadstool's Fatal to Two

Wooner, O.—Mrs. Edward Miller, of Wooner, is dead and her husband is near death from eating toadstools which they mistook for mushrooms.

#### NO COMPROMISE ON PRINCIPAL

France's Prompt Reply to German Counter Proposals—Concessions Made.

Paris.—After President Fallieres had given his formal sanction to the French reply to Germany's counter proposals in the Moroccan negotiations the foreign minister, M. de Selves, completed the transcription of the document and it was dispatched for Berlin by special courier.

The foreign minister early in the day carried the draft of the reply to Rambouillet, where President Fallieres is staying, and returned to Paris by motor car. Before the document was finally sent off M. de Selves had an interview with the British and Russian ambassadors.

According to information from a reliable source the reply is practically a revised and corrected version of the proposed Franco-German treaty relative to Morocco which was submitted to the German Foreign Minister on September 4. The German government returned a duplicate of this treaty to Mr. Cambon, the French ambassador, revised according to the requirements of Germany, that is to say, including a number of suppressions and additions. It is these that the French reply again revives, either re-incorporating the articles suppressed by the imperial government or amending or deleting the articles inserted by that government.

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#### NO HARMONY, DECLARES BRYAN

Commoner Wants None, and Gives Notice of Fight.

Lincoln, Neb.—W. J. Bryan says there is no harmony in the Democratic party and he wants none. In the last issue of his Commoner, Mr. Bryan serves notice that he proposes to fight. He says:

"The harmony program has already cost the party dearly. A few protectionist Democrats threatened to vote with the Republicans if a free wool bill was reported, so harmony was purchased by the surrender of the doctrine of free raw material.

"The corporation Democrats are opposed to any effective legislation on the trust question, and harmony will have to be disturbed if anything is done to protect the public.

"What we need is not harmony, but a straightforward fight for principle in behalf of the public. Such a fight will win."

#### Bit His Tongue Nearly in Two

Williamsport, Md.—An unusual and serious accident happened to the 4-year-old son of Frank Lloyd, a farmer, living between here and Downsville. While sitting on the top rail of a fence the rail broke and the boy fell upon the back of his head. The blow caused his jaws to snap together like a trap, and his tongue was caught between his teeth and almost severed at the root.

#### Wants Recall in the Constitution

Tucson, Ariz.—Eugene S. Ives, of Tucson, made formal announcement of his candidacy for United States senator on the Democratic ticket. He declared himself for reinserting the judiciary recall provision in the constitution.

#### Navy Yards Closed

Washington.—The navy yards at New Orleans and Pensacola are now officially closed. The time limit set by Secretary Meyer for their operation expired at midnight Sunday.

# PREMIER STOLPIN FATALLY SHOT

### Fired Upon While Attending the Opera.

#### THE CZAR WAS NEAR HIM

Gala Opera Performance At Kiev Quickly Changed into Gloom—Third Attempt Upon the Life of the Famous Russian.

Kiev, Russia.—The Russian premier, P. A. Stolypin, was attacked while attending a gala performance at the opera here. He was wounded twice by his assailant. One bullet entered his hand, while the other penetrated the body, grazing the liver and lodging in the spine. It is reported that the premier's wounds are mortal.

Emperor Nicholas was present in the theatre at the time. The premier's assailant was arrested. The two bullets were fired from behind by a lawyer named Bogrof. The audience tried to lynch the assassin. Some reports have it that a musician also was wounded. The minister of finance, M. Kokovoff, was sitting beside the Premier at the time of the attack.

Premier Stolypin occupied a seat in the first row of the orchestra stalls. The Emperor and the dignitaries of the court witnessed the outrage, which was followed by a general stampede of the audience.

#### ETNA ROUTS THOUSANDS

Castiglione and Francavilla are Threatened With Destruction—Discharge Increases.

Catania, Sicily.—The river of lava from Mount Etna is still advancing, sweeping all before it.

Thousands of people have been driven from their homes. Hoping to arrest the advance of the flaming lava, the peasants erect before their vineyards and humble homes a cross of sticks and place on top pictures of the Madonna and the saints, but these barriers of faith have in no wise tended to check the flow.

Crowds of peasants gather to kneel and beat their breasts, calling for mercy and declaring that this must be a punishment for their sins.

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#### AVIATION APPEALS TO WOMEN

Females Gradually Forcing Way Into Game.

New York.—Although both the Wright and Curtiss schools steadfastly refuse to teach female pupils at any price, woman is gradually forcing her way into the hazardous game of aviation, and followers of the sport are discussing with interest the report that Mrs. Ralph Johnstone, of Kansas City, whose husband met death at Denver, is soon coming to New York to master the craft that widowed her.

Today there are only two licensed women aviators in this country—Miss Mathilde Moisant and Miss Harriett Quimby—both of whom are now on Long Island. Blanche Scott has made some noteworthy flights in Ohio, but as yet has obtained no license. Miss Moisant, it will be recalled, took up aviation after the tragic death of her brother, John B. Moisant, of New Orleans, and in this respect her career parallels Mrs. Johnstone's case.

France leads the world with more than half a dozen prominent women aviators, and death has already claimed one of them, Mme. Denise Moore, while the Baroness Laroche, a flier of note, has been seriously injured.

#### IRA JONES FOR GOVERNOR

Resignation as Palmateo Chief Justice Follows.

Lancaster, S. C.—Accepting the leadership thrust upon him by the forces opposed to Gov. Cole L. Blease, Chief Justice Ira B. Jones, of the Supreme Court, who Monday tendered his resignation to Governor Blease, announced:

"If Providence permits I will certainly be a candidate in the primary next August for nomination as Governor."

With the election a year distant, politics is seething in South Carolina.

#### FORTUNE SINKS WITH SHIP

\$180,000 in Gold Bullion on the Steamer Ramona.

Seattle, Wash.—When the steamer Ramona foundered and sank off Spanish Island, Alaska, last Sunday night she carried down with her \$180,000 of gold bullion from the Treadwell mine, consigned to San Francisco. The ship lies in water that is usually smooth, and it is believed the treasure will be recovered easily.

# COMMERCIAL

Weekly Review of Trade and Market Reports.

Bradstreet's says: "Three factors helped to expand trade in a moderate way this week—fall festivals, the advance of the season and the ending of the vacation period. On the whole, recent developments are relatively more favorable, but still conservatism in buying is everywhere visible, and final purveyors of goods display no particular tendency to forsake the policy heretofore pursued—that is, to buy frequently and in small lots rather than liberally at any one time. This attitude is superinduced in a large degree by the inability of retail distributors of wearing apparel, furnishings and the like to measure the probable effects on their sales of ascending prices for edible commodities and the idleness visible in many industrial lines.

"Business failures in the United States for the week ended September 7 were 149 against 164 last week, 173 in the like week of 1910, 191 in 1909, 191 in 1908 and 172 in 1907.

"Wheat, including flour, exports from the United States and Canada for the week aggregate 2,632,243 bushels against 2,673,751 bushels last week and 1,511,068 bushels this week last year. Corn exports for the week are 211,259 bushels against 129,773 bushels last week and 276,452 bushels in 1910."

#### Wholesale Markets

NEW YORK.—Wheat—Spot steady; No. 2 red, 98 1/2c elevator and 99 3/4 f o b afloat; No. 1 Northern Duluth, 113 3/4 c f o b afloat.

Corn—Spot easy; No. 2, 74c elevator domestic basis to arrive and 75 1/2 for export No. 2 f o b afloat.

Oats—Spot firm; standard white, 49c; No. 2, 49 1/2; No. 3, 48 1/2; No. 4, 47 1/2; natural white and white clipped, 47 1/2 @ 52.

Potatoes—Easy; Southern sweets, barrel, \$2 @ 3.25; Jersey, basket, \$1 @ 1.25.

Butter—Firm; creamery specials 27 1/2 @ 27 1/2; extras, 26 @ 26 1/2. Cheese steady, unchanged; receipts, 3,853 boxes. Eggs firm; receipts, 3,959 cases; fresh gathered seconds, 17 1/2 @ 18c; thirds, 16 @ 17.

Poultry—Dressed whole; Western broilers, 16 @ 21; fowls, 14 @ 17; spring turkeys, selected, 28 @ 30; others, 10 @ 16.

PHILADELPHIA.—Wheat—Firm. 1/2c higher; contract grade No. 2 red in export elevator, 93 @ 93 1/2c.

Corn—Dull; 1/2c lower; No. 2 yellow for local trade, 73 1/2 @ 74c.

Oats—Firm; No. 2 white natural, 48 1/2 @ 49.

Butter—Firm; extra Western creamery, 29c; do, nearby prints, 31c.

Eggs—Firm; Pennsylvania and other nearby firsts, free cases, \$6.50 per case; do, current receipts, free cases, \$6.30 per case; do, current receipts, free cases, \$6.00 @ 6.30.

Cheese—Firm; New York full cream fancy, 14c; do, fair to good, 13 @ 13 1/2.

Live Poultry—Quiet; chickens lower; fowls, 14 1/2 @ 15 1/2c; old roosters, 10 @ 10 1/2c; spring chickens, 14 @ 15; ducks, old, 12 @ 13; do, young, 13 @ 14.

Dressed Poultry—Firm; fowls higher; fresh killed fowls, nearby, 17 @ 17 1/2c; do, Western, 15 @ 17; old roosters, 11; broiling chickens, nearby, 18 @ 20; do, Western, 14 @ 18.

BALTIMORE.—Wheat—Settling prices were: No. 2 red Western, 95 1/2c; contract, 93 1/2c; No. 3 red, 92c; steamer No. 2 red, 91 1/2c; steamer No. 2 red Western, 92 1/2c.

Corn—Spot and September, 71 1/2c nominal; year, 67; January, 66 1/2c; February, 67; March, 67 1/2c.

Oats—New oats, per bu: No. 2 white, 46 1/2 @ 47c; standard white, 46 1/2; No. 3 white, 46 @ 46 1/2; mixed No. 2, 45 @ 45 1/2.

Rye—No. 1 rye, Western domestic, 95 @ 96c; No. 2 do, 92 @ 94; No. 2 rye, nearby, 87 @ 88; bag lots, nearby, as to quality, new, 90 @ 95.

Butter—Creamery fancy, 27 1/2 @ 28; creamery, choice, 26 @ 27; creamery, good, 22 @ 25; creamery, imitation, 20 @ 22; creamery, prints, 28 @ 29.

Eggs—Maryland, Pennsylvania and nearby firsts, 25c; Western firsts, 23; West Virginia firsts, 21; Southern firsts, 21 @ 21 1/2; guinea eggs, 11.

Live Poultry—Chickens—Old hens, heavy, 15c; do, small to medium, 14; spring, large, 16; do, small to medium, 16; old roosters, 9.

#### Live Stock

CHICAGO.—Cattle—Texas steers, \$4.40 @ 6.40; Western steers, \$4 @ 7; stockers and feeders, \$3 @ 5.50; cows and heifers, \$2.25 @ 5.30; calves, \$6.25 @ 9.

Hogs—Market 5c higher than yesterday's average; light, \$6.85 @ 7.40; mixed, \$6.80 @ 7.40; heavy, \$6.65 @ 7.35; rough, \$6.65 @ 6.85; good to choice heavy, \$6.85 @ 7.35; pigs, \$4.75 @ 7.20; bulk of sales, \$6.85 @ 7.20.