

The Centre Reporter

CENTRE HALL, PA.

HUNTING WORK IN SUMMER.

A graduate of the University of Minnesota has asked the New York Post and the Chicago Tribune to air his reasons why commencement should be held in the fall instead of in June. He left school in June with such honors as Phi Beta Kappa and Phi Kappa Phi, but, like Dawson, '11, says he has found no work yet. He blisters the paper with a scorching argument that summer is not the psychological time to find employment. But suppose this young man had been released from the classroom and campus along in September and had to trail the jobless route for the following six months, would he pot, along about the holidays, deplore a bleak world's unkind worldliness? Would he not prefer to be knee deep in summer, when, if he had to remain idle, he could at least retain a degree of physical comfort? The trouble with too many of these present-day graduates is that they emerge from the dear old alma mater thinking destiny has a greater career carved out than is really in store for them; they are not willing to begin at the bottom, says the Indianapolis Star. Scholastic training is the greatest asset a young man can carry as he strikes out for himself, but with it he must have the determination to begin with little things if he hopes ultimately to reach greater things. A college degree is not always a passport to the presidency of a big industrial corporation, though it is oftentimes a condition precedent.

Following the store robbery and shooting of a policeman in Cleveland by a boy, inflamed by stories of Wild West life and highwaymen, a councilman of that city has introduced an ordinance prohibiting the sale of trashy and immoral books to the youth. There should be such legislation in every city, says the Ohio State Journal. We spend millions to educate a boy right; why not do something to keep him from being educated wrong? We have laws to prevent people from poisoning their bodies; why not a regulation to restrain them from poisoning their minds? To give a boy a book that will make a highwayman of him is a black offense that should not be permitted. It is an attack on society that society should not tolerate. We are greatly excited upon the question what schoolbooks shall be furnished the children. We should be a great deal more excited upon the question of keeping harmful books away from them. Ordinances are needed for this purpose. There is a vast amount of bad citizenship made by bad books, and there are stacks of bad boys.

It is a base libel on the American hen to charge that she could lay about twice as many eggs as she does every year, and is therefore slothful. It is unbelievable that the American Poultry association is responsible for this reflection on her powers. The truth is, the hen's egg output is automatic, being regulated by the treatment her owners give her. On a proper diet, which includes shell-making material, she works with great diligence, according to her breed. If she is expected to pick up a living about the barnyard and to keep herself warm in exposed winter quarters, her tally naturally suffers. The hen is a gold mine only when her owner co-operates with her.

The new minister of war in France, M. Messimy, is growing unpopular with the French officers. Taking an illustrious American exemplar, he has issued an order that the examination for promotion to generalship shall include severe physical tests, and another by which corps commanders are to report officers who are unfit to take the field. Any one who has seen an army review in Paris, say July 14, and observed the fat generals jostling like jelly in their saddles, will sympathize with M. Messimy's efforts.

Every dweller in tropical or semi-tropical countries knows that windows and doors should be closed in the early hours of the morning, and not opened again until sunset if the house is to be kept reasonably cool throughout the day. They are opened widely enough to the breezes of the night, but dark blinds and closed shutters are the secret of keeping the temperature low. However, one can never convince an Englishman of this fact unless he also has seen its demonstration abroad.

An interesting sight in London is one of the great periodical sales of raw skins and furs held at a fur warehouse in the city. The magnitude of the trade and the vast amount of money involved would surprise any one who visited one of these sales for the first time. At the premises in Great Queen street one can wander from floor to floor piled with thousands upon thousands of skins until one begins to wonder where all the creatures they once clothed lived.

JEERED TO FLY BURNS TO DEATH

Frank Miller, a Young Aviator, Meets His Doom.

CROWD CALLS HIM COWARD

People on the Fair Grounds at Dayton, O., See the Man Enveloped in Flames From the Blazing Gasoline Tank.

Dayton, O.—Forced into the air by jeers by thousands who called him a coward, Frank H. Miller, aged 23, a Toledo (O.) aviator, shot into the sky at twilight Friday evening and at the height of 200 feet was burned to death before the eyes of the terrified spectators on the Miami County Fair Grounds, at Troy, north of here.

Miller had circled the racetrack and was just starting on a spiral glide into a neighboring cornfield when something went wrong. He could be seen making a frantic attempt to get his machine under control, when suddenly the whirring of the propellers ceased. The craft then dropped like a shot for a distance of 50 feet.

A tiny blue flame was emitting from the engine and in an instant the gasoline tank exploded. The machine was wrecked by the impact and debris was hurled hundreds of feet in all directions, what remained of the machine and its driver burning almost to a crisp as they dropped rapidly to the earth.

It was Miller's second flight of the day and the fifth and last of the week. In a short flight shortly after noon his machine acted unsteadily and he did not care to go up. The crowd jeered him in the afternoon when he said he would not make a flight and in the evening he went into the air. "Let her go, I'll be glad when this is over," he shouted to his mechanic. Miller used a Strobil biplane.

BITTER ON DR. WILEY'S FOES

La Follette Calls for Dismissal of all engaged in Case.

Madison, Wis.—In a bitter editorial in the last issue of La Follette's magazine, Senator La Follette demands the retirement of the plotters who sought to oust Dr. Harvey W. Wiley. In part he writes:

"The charge against Wiley was a pretext to get the vigilant and honest chief chemist. It collapsed upon the broadside of publicity. * * * Solicitor McCabe must go.

"Secretary Wilson may be forced to retire. But it would be a sorry perversion of justice to drop Wilson and keep Wickersham. Wilson has to his credit years of service in the upbuilding of agriculture. Wickersham has not a single achievement to commend him to the public. * * * Fair dealing to the public demands that all plotters, high and low, be removed from the positions of honor and trust which they have been entrusted."

RISE IN FOOD STUFFS.

This Time It is Banned on Result in Canada.

Chicago.—Foodstuffs which might have been affected by an influx of Canadian products had Laurier and his government not been defeated in Canada Thursday, rose sharply in prices in all American supply centers Friday. Wheat led the advance and was followed late in the day by flour, when millers ignored their previous price lists and adjusted their quotations to figures more commensurate with the advanced cost of the grain staple.

Oats, too, felt the effect of the Canadian vote and as a result consumers may expect soon to pay increased prices for breakfast foods. The initial meal of the day, in fact, seems destined to bear the brunt of higher living costs within the next few months, as it needed only today's developments in the trading pits to add force to the recent advances in coffee and sugars. The consumer's toast and biscuit wheat cakes and porridge, it is probable, will but add to the woes of the housekeeper.

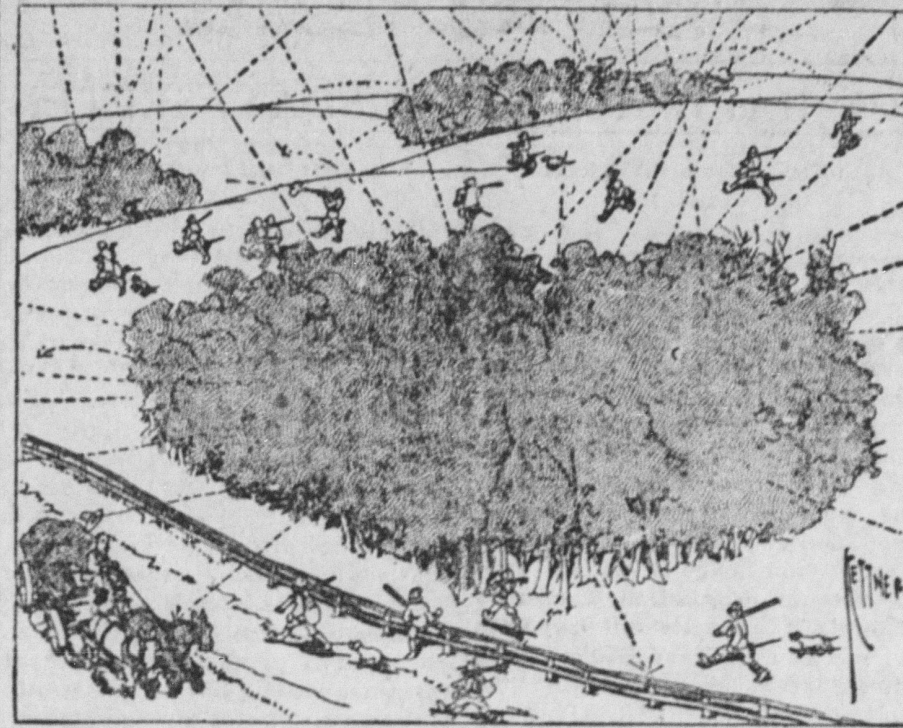
Sherman Will Recover.

San Jose, Cal.—The condition of the Rev. Thomas Ewing Sherman, B. J., head of the Chicago Province of the Jesuits, who was committed to an insane asylum Wednesday after an attempt at suicide, was reported Friday to be improving so that an early recovery is probable. Dr. E. W. Mullen, of the Agnew State Hospital, where Father Sherman is confined, said after passing several hours with him all that was necessary was complete rest.

Fifty Perish in Storm.

Naples.—A hurricane of great violence and accompanied by a deluge of rain raged throughout the Vesuvian region, causing a heavy loss of life and enormous damage to property. It is estimated that 50 persons were killed. Houses were razed by the wind, while others were inundated. Numerous boats in the Bay of Naples are missing and are believed to have been sunk. It is impossible as yet to estimate the total damage done by the storm.

A PEST THAT NOW INFESTS THE COUNTRY



BIGGEST OF TRUSTS YIELDS

Billion-dollar Steel Corporation Planning to Dissolve--Problem a Difficult One.

New York.—It was reported here on excellent authority that the matter of dissolving and reorganizing the United States Steel Corporation is receiving the earnest attention of the Department of Justice and the legal representatives of the so-called "Billion-dollar Trust." There is ground also for the assertion that the Steel Corporation is making a strenuous effort to meet the demands of the government, but by reason of the complexity of the situation little headway has yet been made.

Chairman E. H. Gary declined to discuss the status of affairs, and Francis Linde Stetson, the corporation's general counsel, would not affirm nor deny the report that negotiations looking to a voluntary dissolution are contemplated.

To those who have followed the operations of the United States Steel Corporation since its inception a decade ago the work of disintegrating and reorganizing the largest industrial combination ever organized represents a task of titanic proportions. Many of the subsidiaries which helped to make up the corporation have lost practically all semblance of their original selves, and in the opinion of dispassionate observers it would be well-nigh impossible to restore original equities.

It is a matter of common knowledge that a large part of the \$500,000,000 common stock originally represented little more than bonuses, or water. On the other hand, it has been admitted by government investigators that much of this inflated value has been replaced in recent years by moneys taken out of earnings. In fact, the report of the Department of Commerce and Labor has practically fixed upon a value of \$50 for the common shares, because of the millions put into new construction, betterment, depreciation, etc.

BROTHER KILLS BROTHER.

Hoe is Used With Fatal Effect in Fight on Farm.

Salisbury, Md.—Walston's Switch, a little village about five miles east of Salisbury, was the scene of a bloody conflict in a cornfield in which Theodore Ennis killed his younger brother, Eddie, in the presence of their father, John Ennis.

The father and his son Theodore had some words concerning the shares of corn due each, and Eddie Ennis became involved in the dispute.

Eddie pulled his knife from his pocket and lunged at his brother Theodore, cutting him and also cutting the father's clothing while he was attempting to separate the boys. Theodore seized a hoe, and the two brothers went at each other fiercely, and after several gashes had been inflicted by each Theodore sent the sharp edge of his hoe into the brain of his brother.

Eddie fell to the ground and died at the house shortly after being carried there by his mother and father.

A KISSLESS HUSBAND.

Judge Grants Mrs. Mary Lyle Willis a Divorce.

Kansas City.—If a husband will not permit his wife to kiss him, then she is entitled to a divorce, decided Judge Walter A. Powell, in the Circuit Court at Independence, Mo., in the case of Mrs. Mary Lyle Willis against Archie C. Willis.

TENNESSEE DEMOCRATS SPLIT

Independents Open War By Planning General Primary

Nashville, Tenn.—Political war was formally declared in Tennessee, when State committeemen of the Independent Democratic faction appointed a sub-committee to make plans for a general primary.

This action follows closely on the heels of the regular Democrats' refusal to declare peace with the insurgents for the Presidential campaign.

CANADA VOTES NO ON RECIPROcity

Laurier Government Defeated by Canadians.

BORDEN WILL BE PREMIER

Indications That the Opposition Will Have a Majority in Parliament--Laurier Fifteen Years Premier.

| NEW PARLIAMENT. | | |
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| The new Parliament will be made up about as follows: | | |
| Province. | Lib. | Con. |
| Ontario | 13 | 70 |
| Quebec | 36 | 27 |
| Nova Scotia | 10 | 8 |
| New Brunswick | 8 | 5 |
| P. E. I. | 2 | 2 |
| Manitoba | 1 | 9 |
| Saskatchewan | 7 | 3 |
| Alberta | 4 | 1 |
| Brit. Columbia | 0 | 6 |
| Totals | 81 | 131 |
| Opposition, majority, | 50. | |

Montreal.—The Laurier government and reciprocity suffered an overwhelming defeat in the Canadian elections held Thursday.

By a veritable political landslide the Liberal majority of 42 was swept away and the Conservative party secured one of the heaviest majorities, upward of 50, that any Canadian party has ever had. Seven cabinet ministers who had served with Premier Laurier were among the defeated candidates.

The Liberals lost ground in practically every province of the Dominion. Where they won their majorities were small. Where the Conservatives won their majorities were tremendous. Ontario, the leading province of Canada, declared almost unanimously against the administration and reciprocity.

Robert L. Borden, leader of the Conservative party, will shortly become the prime minister of Canada. He will be supported in Parliament by a working majority of members far more than ample for his purposes.

The government defeat means that the Fielding-Knox reciprocity agreement, ratified by the American Congress in extra session, will not be introduced when the Twelfth Parliament assembles next month and that a revised basis of trade with the United States, looking to closer commercial relations, will not be possible in the immediate future. The Conservatives are committed to a policy of trade expansion within the empire and a closed door against the United States.

Although re-elected in two constituencies in Quebec, the defeat of the Liberal party also means the retirement from public life of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who for nearly two decades has directed the destinies of the Dominion.

Editor Shoots Jeweler.

Rock Island, Ill.—John J. Looney, editor of the Rock Island News, is under the care of physicians and is in a badly bruised condition, and Jake Ramser, a jeweler, has a severe bullet wound in his hand as a result of trouble between the two. Ramser, it is claimed, resented things Looney said about him in his paper, and the two had a quarrel in a barber shop. Ramser was shot through the hand.

Entombed Miners Saved

Leadville, Col., Sept. 19.—The three miners, Fred Caski, Deal Perle and Nat Jacobson, imprisoned in the Morning Star mine on Carbonate Hill for sixty hours by a cave-in, were brought to the surface last night.

Odd Fellows to Meet in Winnipeg.

Indianapolis, Ind.—Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, was selected as the next meeting place of the Sovereign Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows, in session here.

BUTCHERED IN THEIR BEDS

Two Families Exterminated at Colorado Springs--Heads Smashed With Ax.

Colorado Springs, Col.—Butchered in their beds by some person as yet unknown, who used an axe, the bodies of six persons, three in each of two neighboring houses, were found here Wednesday. The heads of all the victims had been smashed in and the appearance of the bodies indicated that they had been dead several days, and that death came while they slept.

A report says that the murderer has been caught and that he has confessed, but this is denied by the police officials, who, it is intimated, fear a lynching might follow such an announcement. An axe which had been loaned to Mrs. Henry F. Wayne, one of the victims, by J. R. Evans, a neighbor, last week, was found blood stained by Mrs. Evans on Monday near the back door of the Wayne home. No attention was paid to this fact, however, as it was thought the axe had been used in killing chickens.

The dead: Mrs. Alice May Burnham, wife of A. J. Burnham, cook at the Modern Woodmen Sanitarium.

Alice, aged six, and John, aged three years, their two children.

Henry F. Wayne, a consumptive, until recently a patient at the Woodmen Sanitarium.

Mrs. Wayne and her one-year-old baby girl.

The Burnham house is situated at Dale street and Harrison Place, and the two houses next to it on Dale street are vacant. Directly in the rear is the Wayne home and close to it is that of Evans.

The discovery of the bodies was made by a neighbor who called at the Burnham home. Not getting any response and noticing a strong odor, she forced an entrance. The bodies of Mrs. Burnham and those of her two children were found in their beds, which were covered with blood; and the walls and ceiling were also spotted.

The woman rushed to the street and gave the alarm. Instinctively a dozen persons went to the Wayne house, where there had been no signs of life since Sunday and the same terrible scene was presented. In bed were the bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne and their baby, all horribly mangled as in the case of the bodies in the Burnham house.

That such a crime had been committed in a thickly settled neighborhood and left unrevealed for three days is regarded as incredible. Not even a footprint is to be found on the floor of either house, and no one could be found who had seen anyone about the premises since Sunday when all the murdered persons at different times were in a neighboring grocery.

TILLMAN TO RUN AGAIN.

Announces His Intention to Succeed Himself.

Columbia, S. C.—Senator Benj. B. Tillman's announcement that he was a candidate to succeed himself, was made public here, refuting recent stories that he might refuse to run again because of failing health.



BENJAMIN R. TILLMAN, U. S. Senator from South Carolina.

Senator Tillman probably will be opposed by former Congressman W. J. Tabert, of this city.

While Senator Tillman was in town he purchased two pitchforks—for agricultural purposes—and carried them to his home in Trenton.

New Kind of Incubator.

Willows, Cal.—A stressless cooker used as an incubator has come to the rescue of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Pieper in sustaining life in their twin children, born a day or two ago. Curled in separate compartments of this kitchen appliance, the boy, who weighed two pounds at his birth, and the girl, who weighed three, are sleeping their way to health when not receiving food by aid of a medicine dropper.

To March 500 Miles.

Junction City, Kan.—To test the new cavalry equipments recommended by the Army Cavalry Equipment Board, Troops I and K, Thirteenth Cavalry, stationed at Fort Riley, have been designated for a practice march of 500 miles. Col. Edward J. McClelland, president of the board, will command. The route of march, probably starting tomorrow, will be from Fort Riley to St. Joseph, Mo., and will require 23 days to complete.

HAY RACK RIDE ENDS IN DEATH

Fast Train Dashes Into Party of Merry-makers.

SIX BODIES ON ENGINE PILOT

One Victim Hurled Over a Barn Fifty Feet From the Railroad Track--Thirteen Killed, three Others Will Die.

Neenah, Wis., Sept. 24.—Thirteen persons are dead, three others are dying and five are seriously hurt as the result of a fast train on the Chicago and Northwestern Railway, early Sunday morning, crashing into a hay rack, on which a party of 31 merry-makers were returning from a celebration. A big billboard beside the railway tracks obscured the view from the locomotive, as well as from the wagon. Dust and fog were contributory causes to the tragedy. Nine members of the party escaped without a scratch. Nobody on the train suffered except from a momentary severe jar. The collision occurred at 3.40 A. M. at the Commercial street crossing here. Train No. 121, northbound, whirled through the wagonload of singing and happy people, who were returning from the Peter Hanson farm, where they had gone to attend the celebration of a wedding anniversary. All but two, who were Chicago men, were residents of Menasha.

Armless, legless and headless bodies covered the right of way, as the train, nine coaches in length, was brought to a stop 800 feet from the scene of the crash. Several of the bodies were so badly mutilated that identification was possible only by fragments of clothing. Six bodies were discovered on the engine pilot and two other bodies were hurled through a flagman's shanty with such force as to overturn the structure.

RECIPROcity SHELVED A WHILE

Underwood Doesn't Believe Next Session Will Consider It.

Birmingham, Ala.—"I do not believe anything will be done in the next Congress over the proposition of Canadian reciprocity," said Chairman Underwood, of the House Ways and Means Committee, when asked what disposition would be made of the matter.

"The reciprocity act," he added, "could hardly come into Congress unless the two Governments open negotiations, and this not being possible now, I do not believe there will be anything said or done."

FRANCE SENDS SECOND REPLY

Two Nations Not Far Apart on Moroccan Question.

Paris.—The latest reply of the French Government to the German proposals, which was approved Saturday by President Fallieres, who received the Cabinet at Rambouillet, was dispatched to Berlin by special messenger.

A semi-official communication says that the reply shows some slight divergence from the text of the German note, but adds that the changes are inspired by the general views expressed at the last conversation between Herr von Kiderlein-Waechter and M. Cambon.

Boy Scouts Condemned.

Battle Creek, Mich.—The Michigan State Federation of Labor in annual convention here adopted a resolution condemning the Boy Scouts, whether they be called by that name or Minute Men, Children of the Republic, or anything else. The resolution placed the federation on record as opposed to "war and all its trappings, and especially the Boy Scout movement, and further, that the local unions affiliated with the State Federation of Labor to be requested to begin an active campaign to counteract the evil influences of this insidious movement."

His Testimony Was Satisfactory.

Indianapolis, Ind.—Testimony of Thomas L. Lewis, former president of the United Mine Workers of America, given before a special committee investigating the alleged disappearance of thousands of ballots cast in the last election for president of the organization, was "entirely satisfactory," according to Charles Baker, of the Kentucky district, member of the committee. It was announced that the committee soon would make a report of the findings to the National Executive Board.

To Succeed Senator Frye.

Portland, Maine.—Obediah Gardner, of Rockland, was appointed United States Senator to succeed the late William P. Frye. Mr. Gardner was the Democratic candidate for Governor of Maine in 1906, and an aspirant to the Senatorship before the Legislature at its session in January, when Charles F. Johnson won the honor. Governor Plaisted appointed Mr. Gardner assessor for the State for six years, and he has been engaged in that office since April.