



NOT EVEN TREES HAVE BEEN SPARED IN THE PATH OF WAR'S DESTROYERS

A TYPICAL STREET SCENE IN THE SECTION OF LOUVAIN DESTROYED BY GERMANS

### CUBAN GOVERNMENT TO PENSION WIDOW OF NOTED FILIBUSTER

Wife of Capt. Sam Hughes, in Need Now, to Be Helped by Country Husband Befriended.



MRS. SAMUEL HUGHES

Cuba will be asked within a few days to pay a part of the debt she owed to the late Captain Sam Hughes, the king of filibusters, whose gun-running expeditions, more than anything else, made possible the freedom of the island. Philadelphia was warm personal friends of Captain Hughes during his filibustering days and later when he was captain of the port here, have "suggested" to the Cuban Government that a pension be granted his widow, left destitute because Captain Hughes was a generous and improvident sailor.

When Captain Hughes died on July 14, last, he left behind him only unpaid bills. He had made several fortunes during his filibustering days. His widow has been an invalid for several years. She went to Thromount, Green Island, Belfast, Ireland, a year ago to visit Captain Hughes' mother. The mother of the filibuster died two months before him, but Mrs. Hughes has remained there at Belfast. She does not know that the Cuban Government probably will grant her a pension. Friends recently learned that the captain left nothing for his widow.

George F. Sproule, secretary of the Board of Commissioners of Navigation, an intimate friend of Captain Hughes for 20 years, suggested the idea of a Cuban pension to J. J. Luis, Cuban Consul here, who frequently served as agent for the Cubans in the filibustering.

"The suggestion" was sent two weeks ago to General Emilio Nunez, the most powerful member of the present Cuban Cabinet and President Menocal's principal advisor. General Nunez, who was in whom Captain Hughes sold the arms and ammunition in 1906, 1907 and 1908, sometimes directly and sometimes through Mr. Luis.

"Mr. Sproule came to me with the address of Mrs. Hughes," said Mr. Luis today. "The Cuban Government wanted to send her a letter of condolence. Mr. Sproule said that pension would be better as Captain Hughes had left nothing. I was surprised, but was glad to inform General Nunez of Mr. Sproule's suggestion."

General Nunez was commander of the army Captain Hughes supplied with arms and ammunition. He is now Secretary of Agriculture and president of the Veterans' Association. I, of course, could do nothing officially, but General Nunez will probably arrange it."

Mr. Sproule today explained that Simon Gray and Dr. J. Cajetan Flynn, parties to the "suggestion," Dr. Flynn was Captain Hughes' physician for many years.

The filibuster whose memory Cuba will honor in a substantial manner, was born in Belfast, and went to sea when a boy on the Samuel Louthier ships shipped with the merchant and Miners' Line, on the old steamer William Crane, Oceans, Bermuda, which was believed to have been blown up at pier 12 in the Delaware River in August, 1900, and the Laurada, the ship in which he was engaged in filibustering. The Laurada was named after his two daughters, Laura and Ada, who are now dead.

MADE CAPTAIN OF PORT. At the outbreak of the Cuban war Captain Hughes enlisted in the American navy and was given the rank of lieutenant. He performed valuable services, as he was familiar with the West Indies waters. He commanded the Bermuda after the war, and after it sank he accepted the position of chief officer of the United States transport Justice, under command of Captain

Scott. He was later appointed commander. When he came back to this country he was appointed captain of the port of Philadelphia.

Captain Hughes' widow came from the same seafaring people as the filibuster. She has two brothers living, Captain Thomas A. Parkhill, a retired shipmaster of Belfast, and James Parkhill, of Philadelphia.

More than her husband on several of his filibustering expeditions. On one occasion, when the United States authorities were suspicious of Captain Hughes, she accompanied him when he left Philadelphia with a cargo of arms and ammunition. The port officials, although they had been ordered to watch him, let him pass out the Breakwater when they saw his wife on deck. She was sent back when the Bahamas were reached.

General Nunez is aware of the services which Mrs. Hughes herself rendered the Cuban Government, and the Cuban Consul here is daily expecting a favorable reply to the letter he sent his Government. In the meantime, the old friends of Captain Hughes are assisting her.

### BAHAMA SHELLS FIND INCREASING FAVOR IN WORLD OF BUSINESS

More Than Fifty Distinct Varieties Obtained in the Islands Put to Profitable Commercial Use.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—Writing from Nassau in the Bahamas, Consul W. H. Doty tells how some of the almost innumerable varieties of shells in the islands and the waters surrounding them are put to commercial use. He says:

"More than fifty distinct varieties of the shells obtainable in the Bahamas in quantities sufficient for commercial use are of economic value, as evidenced by the large quantities received recently from Europe and the United States. Among these are rice shells, so tiny in size as to make one marvel how a sufficient number could be picked up to fill a barrel; gold shells, mud shells, conchoidal shells, and shells of various colors, including tooth, pretty decorated ornamental shells, and shells which are exported to Odessa, Russia, to be used as ear pendants; Panama or tent shells, which resemble miniature encampments and sell at \$9 a barrel; black snails, which take a high polish; conch shells, which, ivory, pink lip and trochus or Turk's cap—locally termed 'whelks'; these are but a few of the assortment kept in stock at the leading warehouse at Nassau.

"The queen conch, which is especially adapted for cameo carving on account of having a layer of brown with a white top, and the pink lip conch, which has layers of white and pink, are much sought for. Only the lips of these two varieties are exported from Nassau to New York and the demand coming from New York and from Torre del Greco, near Naples, Italy. Ordinary conch shells to 2 cent; pink lip, whole shells, from 5 to 25 cents, and queens at 25 cents United States currency. F. O. B. Nassau.

"The whelk or Turk's cap, among other shells, is particularly valuable, as it has a portion resembling the best mother of pearl from which pearl starts, for instance, could be made. It is estimated that 1,000,000 shells of this variety could be obtained annually in this colony. These shells sell for 5 to 10 cents per 100 cents.

"The labor here is cheap, colored women receiving 25 to 30 cents, ordinary laboring men 60 cents, and white engineers \$1.50 a day. This would tend to reduce materially the expense of a button blank factory, and it is presumed the machinery is not costly. In addition to button blank making, there ought to be opportunity for the manufacture of souvenirs of many types, shell baskets, bracelets, necklaces and other shell ornaments.

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### WAR WILL NOT KEEP U. OF P. ENROLMENT DOWN

Registration Largest in University's History Is Looked For.

Registration of students of the University of Pennsylvania began this morning and will continue until Friday, when the regular sessions begin. Officials of the University do not think that the war will have any effect on the registration, and look forward to a record enrollment. No students will be allowed to register this year without a doctor's vaccination certificate. Those who have not been vaccinated within the last eight years are required to be vaccinated. As a result of the order some arms and grouchers are in vogue on the campus.

The engineering department will take a picture of every student entering the department this year. The idea is to keep a more accurate identification system and record of the students.

### GEM SMUGGLING MORE PROFITABLE UNDER NEW TARIFF

Increase of 25 Per Cent. in Business of Defrauding Government Since June First, Experts Say.

The 20 per cent duty imposed upon the importation of diamonds has placed a premium upon the smuggling of such stones, in the opinion of diamond experts of this city. George A. Moore, of J. E. Caldwell & Co., believes that the increase in diamond smuggling since June 1 has been at least 25 per cent, and that before the end of the year it will have reached 50 per cent.

A great number of arrests have been made in this country recently, and they show that the inventive genius of smugglers has been stimulated by the great opportunities for large profits that are offered under the tariff, a point which is well illustrated in one of the recent arrests, where the smuggler had concealed an extremely valuable consignment of diamonds by imbedding them in the plaster molding of a large picture frame.

"The demand is steady and there is a sufficient supply in this country to last for two or three years. Neither of them believes that the war will lead to a decrease in the demand for diamonds, but that the demand will be increased by the war, although they doubt that the war will cause the permanent cessation of the trade in Belgium, where some 15,000 cutters are employed.

The use of reconstructed and synthetic stones as substitutes for such precious stones as rubies and emeralds is thought to be probable by some experts, who say that they have noticed a growing tendency in the buying of jewels by society women in this country.

NEW MOURNING SUGGESTED FOR BRITAIN'S HERO-DEAD

LONDON Times Advocates Purple Band Instead of Conventional Black.

There is a strong movement on foot to dispense with the orthodox form of mourning in the event of casualties occurring in the British navy and army, says the Times. A number of suggestions have been put forward designed to effect economies, although at the same time in no way minimizing the respect for the gallant dead. Recently we published a letter on this topic from Mrs. Edward Lytton, which, in view of the interest it has aroused, we reprint in full.

"If the country should elect to dispense with such mourning, the economic effect will be to save a disturbance of cash expenditure. Mourning will still be bought for those who die natural deaths; but we should have a large additional and artificial expenditure, temporarily inflated by the heavy death roll of the next few weeks, and the money so saved will be available for the support of ordinary trade. This independent of the weightier reasons for changing our usual custom."

"What I am advocating is something that would be an appeal to all hearts for sympathy in bereavement, and it would cost practically no expenditure, for the simple narrow band of purple cloth to be worn on the left arm by every man, woman or child who had lost a relation in the war would cost practically nothing and the badge would be the same for all classes."

In a few days we shall be receiving the news of great loss of life on the Continent and at sea. One's first thought is a strong conviction that for lives lost in such a noble cause the wearing of conventional mourning would be unsuitable.

### TO MAKE CHILDREN FIREPROOF

Physician Suggests Solution for Their Protection From Flames.

NEW YORK, Sept. 22.—A pound of ammonium phosphate, a crystal powder costing 25 cents, dissolved in a gallon of water was urged today by Dr. Charles Frederick Faber, Cornell's physician, as a fluid that will make clothing fireproof and prevent many children from being burned to death.

"He has started a campaign to prevent such fatalities.

### FRENCH ARMY REINFORCED BUT FAILED, SAYS BERLIN

Kaiser's Troops Felled Flank Movement, According to Report.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 22. Advice received here today from Berlin says that during last week's fighting the Franco-British troops attacked fortified German positions between the Oise and Meuse rivers. The French were supported by their positions west of the River Meuse. The German troops in the east retired slowly in accordance with a plan worked out in advance by the general staff, it is related, until favorable positions were reached.

According to the dispatch the French were reinforced by fresh troops from Paris and the armies south of Paris and Belfort. They brought up heavy guns from the capital and immediately put them in action. The French had planned to attack and flank the German right wing, but that movement failed, Berlin reports. The French sustained heavy losses.

In the last three days the Germans passed the offensive of the French right, which was heavily reinforced. The Kaiser's forces also passed the center and main force between Beryanbac and the fortress in the Argonne forest. Verdun was attacked from two sides.

### HUNDREDS OF TITLED ENGLISH MOURN FOR KIN SLAIN IN BATTLE

Casualty Lists Include 797 British Officers—Out of Proportion to Losses in the Ranks.

LONDON, Sept. 22. The Official Press Bureau has issued the following announcement: "It may be of some interest and comfort to the relatives of the officers whose names appear as missing or wounded in the casualty lists issued by the War Office after the termination of the retreat from Mons to know that letters have begun arriving in London from German hospitals, in which some of them are found to be lying. Several of them appear to be at Paderborn, Westphalia."

The British public, however, is prepared to hear of great losses in the battle now raging. The stories sent by correspondents indicate that the battle has exceeded in violence and stubbornness anything in modern history since the struggle at Port Arthur. There are stories of charges rivaling Halakiva, and the casualty lists confirm the reports.

Casualties among British officers are out of all proportion to the losses in the ranks. Seven hundred and ninety-seven officers are among the killed, wounded and missing. One hundred and thirty officers have been killed, 353 wounded and 379 are missing. Many of the missing probably must later be recorded as killed or wounded despite today's official announcement.

The Coldstream Guards Regiment holds its first place with 31 casualties among its officers' corps. The King's Royal Rifles and the Suffolk Regiment have each had 25 officers killed or wounded; the Gordon Highlanders, 23; the Munster Fusiliers, 21; the Cameron Highlanders and the Cheshire Regiment, 19 each.

The field artillery has lost 56 and the medical corps 52 officers. Listed by ranks, the names of colonels and lieutenant colonels number 32, majors, 8, and captains, 26.

The homes of many of the best known families in the kingdom are in mourning. Lieutenant Wyndham, of the Coldstream Guards, killed in action, was the only son of the late Right Hon. George Wyndham, at one time Chief Secretary for Ireland. Lieutenant Lockwood, of the same regiment, was the nephew and heir of Lieutenant Colonel the Right Hon. A. R. M. Lockwood, one of the most popular members of the House of Commons. Saturday's list announced the death of Lord Guernsey, the heir of the Earl of Aylesford, and Lord Arthur Vincent Hay, heir of the Marquis Tweeddale.

### NANCY HERO'S SONS KILLED

Mme. Castelnu, Spartan Mother, Receives News Calmly.

BOURDEAUX, Sept. 22. Two sons of General de Castelnu, hero of the fighting about Nancy, have been killed in battle, and he notified his wife today that a third had been wounded.

Mme. de Castelnu took the news calmly. "I had four sons in the field," she said. "I shall not see them again. My husband alone will return. He has no right to allow himself to be killed."

### PARISIANS REJOICE AT REPORTED SAFETY OF RHEIMS TEMPLE

Restoration Possible, Though Bombardment Broke Windows and Ruined Decorations.

PARIS, Sept. 22. Widespread rejoicing was caused in Paris today by reports indicating that the famous Cathedral at Rheims had escaped irreparable destruction under the German bombardment of the town and can be restored, though seriously damaged.

The magnificent windows are all smashed, according to officers who arrived here, and many of the carved figures and statues have been broken off. In the doorway still stands the crippled beggar—crippled in 1870—who has remained at his post through a rain of flying splinters and dust, pebbles and glass. Fifty shells found lodgment in the interior, but the stone-work withstood the concussion of their explosion.

The building can probably be restored, according to this correspondent, as the shell fire seems no longer to be directed toward it, but, of course, its priceless decorations are ruined for all time.

ROME, Sept. 22. (By way of Paris.) When informed of the destruction of the Cathedral of Rheims, Pope Benedict XV said he "could not believe it possible in such a civilized epoch as the 20th century to be plunged back to the time of Attila."

The Pontiff requested that Cardinal Perrini ask Cardinal Amette, Archbishop of Paris, for full particulars, as telegrams for Rheims are not accepted.

### CROWN PRINCE RENEWS ATTACK ON VERDUN FORTS

Flower of Army Assaults Forts on Two Sides.

BERLIN, Sept. 22. (By way of The Hague.) The army under command of the Crown Prince this afternoon resumed its attack of the great French stronghold at Verdun. The flower of the Crown Prince's army, backed up by a great number of his guns, is attacking Verdun on two sides, according to an official announcement this afternoon by the German General Staff.

Heavy reinforcements have been rushed to the German forces composing the right wing and center. It is believed the resumption of the Verdun attack and the sending of such large reinforcements of fresh troops to the right wing and center may be followed by an effort on the part of the Germans to attempt an offensive movement all along the line.

### HOSPITAL PHYSICIAN NAMED

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### 30,000 PRUSSIANS FLEEING

Fugitives Seek Safety From Russians at Frankfort-on-Order.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 22. From Berlin comes the announcement by the Wolf Bureau that in the neighborhood of Frankfort-on-Order 30,000 East Prussian fugitives have been brought there.

### NAPOLEON'S CHESS BOARD LOST

Stolen From Compiegne Castle, French Wounded Report.

PARIS, Sept. 22. A chess board used by Napoleon was stolen from the Compiegne Castle, according to information brought here by wounded French soldiers. The castle was not damaged.

A number of pieces of tapestry donated by King Charles and the Cardinal of Lorraine to the Cathedral at Notre Dame at Rheims have been destroyed.

### FIFTY LIVE CHICKENS SENT THROUGH MAIL BY THE PARCEL POST

Fowls Make Journey Safely From Extreme Southwestern Part of Virginia to a Point in Eastern Section of State.

RICHMOND, Va., Sept. 22.—A queer assortment of articles have passed through the Richmond postoffice by way of the parcel post, but the most curious shipment yet received arrived a few days ago in the shape of a peculiarly constructed paper-mache coop containing 50 newly hatched chickens.

This unusual consignment through Uncle Sam attracted much attention, and a few favored visitors at the Federal building were allowed the privilege of seeing the "biddies."

While it is strictly against the parcel post rules to accept live fowls for shipment, this coop, about 18 inches square and divided into two compartments, with sufficient openings to allow light and air, was allowed admittance to the mails at a postoffice in Russell County. Its destination was a point in Lancaster County, a journey from the extreme southwestern portion of the State to the extreme Eastern.

The chicks passed through the Richmond office while being transferred from one train to another. Despite their long trip the half hundred chirping, fuzzy creatures were in good condition, and, barring any mishap, should reach their destination in as good shape as when they were mailed.

Being a violation of the postal laws, the shipment would ordinarily have been returned to the sender, but when it reached the hands of Postmaster Thornton's subordinates, and the error of accepting it discovered, it was decided to allow it to continue to the end of its journey, for fear the chickens would die if returned to Russell County.

However, Assistant Postmaster W. Ross Southward said the department at Washington, for fear the chickens would die if returned to Russell County.

### ODD FELLOWS ELECT JUDGE ROBERT DANIEL GRAND SIRE

Georgian Placed at Head of Order by Unanimous Vote.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Sept. 22.—Judge Robert T. Daniel, of Georgia, was elected Grand Sire of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows by unanimous vote in the Sovereign Grand Lodge convention here this morning. The nomination was made in an eloquent address by Edward Coleman, of Georgia, and was received with a mighty shout. This action keeps the Grand Sireship in the South for another two years.

A great fight is waging over the election of Deputy Grand Sire, the position next to the head of the order, with Wilson K. Mohr, of Allentown, Pa., among the contestants. The other nominees are F. C. Goudy, Colorado; W. W. Phelps, California; C. D. Rinehart, Florida; Alfred S. Kimball, Maine; Lucien J. Eastin, Missouri; F. E. Trautman, New York; B. A. Robertson, Oklahoma; and Joseph Oliver, Ontario.

Past Grand Sires' jewels were conferred upon C. L. Campbell, Ontario; A. S. Pinkerton, Massachusetts; E. E. Conway, Illinois; W. L. King, Kentucky; Wyoming; and John B. Goodwin, Maryland, the present Grand Secretary.

Thousands of Philadelphia Odd Fellows are expected to march in the annual parade tomorrow.

### GREAT OIL GUSHER JUST RUINED LUKE HORTON'S PASTURE

But Two Acres of Spouters Brought in One Hundred Bucks a Day—Some Southwest Tales.

TULSA, Okla., Sept. 22.—Texas oil well drillers are fond of telling the story of Luke Horton, of Wichita County. When the discovery well came in on Luke's place it came in spouting a thousand barrels a day. Luke, who happened to be in the rig, stood up with the drillers and watched her cut up for a few minutes and he complained:

"You have spoiled two acres of my pasture. 'Your pasture!' snorted Buck Kelly. 'Ain't you in for an eighth of her worth, 100 bucks a day, and 50 wells on 200 acres is \$500 a day—that's the rent on your pasture.'"

"Pete," said Luke to his little boy, "go tell your ma to get in out of the cotton patch right now. Tell her to wait supper for me, for 'm going to town and order a house with 40 rooms and a quart of diamonds."

"Yas, sah, I'll sell this land," said old Joe Simpson when a buyer sought to purchase his fee. "But I's getting \$200 a day from it right now."

"How does \$2,000 sound to you?" ventured the buyer.

"Huh, look heah, white man, you tell me if dere's anything bigger'n millions in I'll tell you if I's gwine to sell you dis land," growled Joe. But the purchase was never made, as the buyer left old Joe in ignorance to die without ever counting his money.

After the evil luck and the creek that had cornered the Osage into the rocky hills of the headwaters of Bird Creek and the Caney, the leastest acres of the Indian country, the operator came to dot the hills with derricks. The evil star of the Osage had set and a fortune of green oil gushed from the rocky ravines of their country and the once despised Osage came into the effluence of \$200 a year for every acre.

But for oil field romance, we must yield the laurel branch to our Aztec Latin neighbors. Pioneers of the Mexican fields know well the story of the Peraltas family. In the old days, wandering gringos from the Tuxpan Railway survey used to sejour at Potrero del Llano hacienda in the Sierra Vista Valley and drink native beer from Don Braulio's meager store, which with the surrounding area of pasture and jungle made a competence sufficient to supply Don Braulio with his high class and his comely daughter, Guadalupe, with cotton dresses.

### KILLING OF COWS DEFENDED

Tuberculosis Commission Fights Suit For Loss of Ten Animals.

TRENTON, Sept. 22.—Chief Inspector Charles McNabb and Inspector William H. Low, of the State Commission on Tuberculosis, have filed with the Supreme Court an answer to the suit of Henry Snyder, of Upper Saddle River, Bergen County. Suit is brought for \$1200, the value of ten cows killed by order of the State Commission, on the ground that they were affected by tuberculosis, when Snyder attempted to import them from New York into New Jersey in April, 1911.

The commission avers that the examination of the dead carcasses plainly showed that its action had been warranted. It is further alleged by the State board that it is an arm of the State government and not liable as a commission for acts done in enforcement of the law.

### HELD ON ASSAULT CHARGE

Walter McCoy, 5014 Torrensda Avenue, was held this morning under \$400 bail for a further hearing by Magistrate Borie, of the Frankford police station, on a charge of assault and battery, preferred by Harry Donnelly. Donnelly, who is in the Frankford Hospital with a fractured leg, said to be the result of a stone thrown by McCoy, was unable to appear at the hearing.

### Vote Light in Hammonton

HAMMONTON, N. J., Sept. 22.—Despite the Congressional contest, a very light vote is being polled here. Not one Progressive ballot has been cast in three of four precincts up to 11 o'clock. Backlash for Republican nomination for Congress seems to be leading Roberts and White. For Sheriff, J. H. Burdick, Republican, and John B. Carter, Democrat, will probably win out here.

### Held on Murder Charge

Joseph Desmore, Seventh and Catharine streets, who last night shot and killed Ernesto Hochstadt in his home, at 233 South Seventh street, and at the same time wounded Desmore with a fractured leg, was held today at the County and Christian-streets police station.