

TWO CENTS.

SCRANTON, PA., THURSDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 29, 1900.

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## FIRE EATERS ARE CHECKED

### Great Britain Assents to the American Position Concerning China.

## BARB WORD ULTIMATUM

### Foreign Ministers at Peking Who Wanted to Institute Wholesale Decapitation Offhand Under Penalty of Instant and Bloody War Are Halted in Their Ungainly Aspirations and It Is Uncle Sam That Holds the Check Reins.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Washington, Nov. 28.—It developed today that the chief point in the exchanges concerning China which have been going on during the last few days among the powers relates to the wisdom of delivering an ultimatum to China, using the express word "ultimatum" in the text of the demand to be handed to the Chinese envoys involving the possibility of a resulting declaration of war against China in case the demands of the ultimatum are not complied with. It appears that some of the powers desired the express use of the word "ultimatum" in the demand relative to the decapitation or other extreme punishment of eleven of the princes and other officials responsible for the outrages, and this view of using the most expressive term of diplomacy seems to have found favor with the ministers at Peking.

When it became known at the several capitals, considerable dissent became manifest. About a week ago, Japan took the initiative in appeal, and this received the favorable consideration of the United States, France, Russia, and probably Great Britain, although a positive statement as to Great Britain cannot be made. About the same time, Secretary Hay took steps to express the view of this government that it was inadvisable to proceed to the extent of an ultimatum against China, but that the demands should not be beyond what China reasonably might have the power to comply with.

The unanimity of sentiment among the powers gave grounds for the belief that the demands of the ministers will be modified by the abolition of the word "ultimatum," although it is not clear what the final attitude of the remaining powers, Germany, Austria and Italy, will be. The negotiations in this particular were carried on in London, through Ambassador Choate, and it is regarded as significant that one of the parties to the Anglo-German alliance should give its adherence to the moderate attitude advanced by the United States.

The British ambassador and the Chinese minister were among Secretary Hay's callers at the state department today, conditions in China being among the subjects considered. Information has been received from the southern viceroys, representing the most pacific influences in China, showing great concern in their part as to reports that another punitive expedition is on its way against the Shan-Si province.

## THE GOVERNOR'S VETO

### Another Suit Brought to Test Out in School Funds.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Harrisburg, Pa., Nov. 28.—C. T. Kraz, of Norrisburg, appeared in court this morning and asked that a writ of mandamus be issued against State Treasurer Barnett and Superintendent of Public Instruction Schaeffer to compel them to pay the school appropriation on the basis of \$5,500,000 instead of \$5,000,000 under the governor's veto to the township of Conowingo, town and Worcester, in Montgomery county.

Deputy Attorney General Fleitz opposed the motion and the court set Dec. 11 as a time for argument.

## BACK FROM SOUTH AFRICA

### Number of Americans Who Served in English Army.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Philadelphia, Nov. 28.—Fifty-eight Americans who were with the English army in South Africa arrived here today on the American line steamship "Hollandland," from Liverpool. They left tonight for their homes in Chicago, St. Louis and New Orleans. Their passage to this country was paid by the English government.

The men left New Orleans last summer as muleteers, but in South Africa they enlisted with the English forces as conductors of armored trains.

## POPULATION FIGURES

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Washington, Nov. 28.—The population of the state of Washington is 435,465, against 403,300 in 1890, an increase of 10,715, or 2.71 per cent.

The population of North Dakota is 310,145, against 282,710 in 1890, an increase of 16,475, or 5.83 per cent.

The population of South Dakota is 401,570, against 328,808 in 1890, an increase of 72,762, or 22.1 per cent.

The population of Tennessee is 2,030,416, against 1,757,218 in 1890, an increase of 273,198, or 15.5 per cent.

The population of Idaho is 161,772, against 151,853 in 1890, an increase of 9,919, or 6.5 per cent.

## Standard Oil Goes Up

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

New York, Nov. 28.—Standard oil shares in the open market today sold at 79, a new high record.

## CONTEST WILL GO ON

### Bryan's Letter to the Home Guards of Lincoln.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 28.—In answer to a congratulatory address issued by the Bryan Home Guards some days ago, W. J. Bryan this evening sent a letter to H. F. Rooker, thanking him for the expressions of esteem, and concluding as follows:

When a political party meets with reverses the greatest consolation the candidate has, aside from the approval of conscience, is the knowledge that he retains the confidence of those with whom he was associated and I thank the guards for this assurance. The contest between democracy and plutocracy will go on and those who believe in the restoration of independence and the doctrine of equality before the law must still defend human rights from the encroachment and greed.

## CRUISER YOSEMITE LOST

### By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

New York, Nov. 28.—A cable dispatch from Manila received here today reports the sinking of the United States auxiliary cruiser Yosemite in a typhoon at Guam Nov. 15. Five of the crew were lost.

Washington, Nov. 28.—The Yosemite was first commissioned April 13, 1898. She had been station ship at the island of Guam since the day's service. She is a six-masted, steel-hulled, converted cruiser, of 1,675 tons displacement. It is said that her anchorage at Guam was off the harbor of San Luis D'Anara and that owing to a heavy sea she was driven ashore. The shore is particularly dangerous, owing to the existence of a rocky shoal in the middle and a particularly crooked channel.

## DINNER OF THE AMERICAN COLONY

### Given in Honor of Thanksgiving.

### Speeches Made by a Number of Prominent Frenchmen.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Paris, Nov. 28.—The annual Thanksgiving dinner of the American colony in France was given this evening. In the absence of General Horace Porter, the ambassador of the United States, the chair was given to George Munroe, the banker. With the exception of John K. Gowdy, United States consul general, all the speakers were prominent Frenchmen who did not neglect the opportunity to refer to the cordial relations existing between France and the United States. M. Jules Cambon in the course of his remarks said:

The United States have become by their greatness the marvel and admiration of the world, and we, after a century of glorious and painful struggles, are beginning to place the destinies of the French democracy under the shelter of republican institutions. Each, however, at any point on the globe the interests and ambitions of the two countries clash; and every day brings a fresh development in their commercial relations. Frenchmen are beginning to see a treaty of commerce in Washington; and we have reason to hope that the United States congress and our parliament will cooperate in the signing of a new instrument of peace, union and concord.

Mr. Gowdy, speaking in response to the toast, "The Day We Celebrate," said that Thanksgiving day was to the American a fête of religion and patriotism. A grateful heart will be a true heart. A grateful people will be a successful people. Thanksgiving day with the Americans is not a selfish feast. We are akin to the whole world, a people of every people, a nation of every nation. We crown our success with good will and fraternal affection. Only kindly feelings toward the homes of our fathers.

"We rejoice that the cordial relations between ourselves and France have been strengthened and that our trade has increased. But while thinking of our own country, let us not forget the welfare of France, whose hospitality we enjoy and who always extends to us such cordial welcome and such fraternal greetings."

M. Comptoy, of the Figaro; M. De Blowitz, Paris correspondent of the London Times; M. Gaston Deschamps, and others spoke.

## COUNCIL OF SEINE IS FOR ARBITRATION

### Unanimously Urges France to Take the Initiative—The Fighting in South Africa Goes Right On.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Paris, Nov. 28.—The general council of the Seine today unanimously adopted a resolution in which the French government should take the initiative in a endeavor to bring about an arbitration of the issues between Great Britain and the Boers.

Edenbourg, Orange River Colony, Sunday, Nov. 28.—The Boers are most active between the railroad and East-Orlando, south of Ladybrand, Thabanchou and Bloemfontein. General De Wet and former President Steyn are at Dvetsdorp. It is believed they are preparing for a descent on Cape Colony for recruits and supplies. As a counter move, two battalions of the Guards, Grenadiers and First Coldstreams hold all the fords of the Orange river from Allwal North to the Orange river station. But small parties of mounted Boers are able to cross the river almost anywhere. The British have great need of more mounted troops. Otherwise the capture of De Wet is hopeless.

## Judge Craig Heard Argument

### By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Stroudsburg, Pa., Nov. 28.—Judge Craig today heard argument in the Pecora Spring Water company injunction case brought by the Lehigh Coal and Navigation company, who claim that the filling of the large reservoir in the Pecora mountains is a serious injury to navigation and to the furnishing of power to industries along the Lehigh Valley. Argument was not concluded.

## Plucky Woman Fells Burglar

### By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Union Hill, N. J., Nov. 28.—Mrs. Frederick Weismann saw a man trying to break in her room, she sprang for the fellow's throat. He knocked her down and struck her in the face, threatening at the same time to kill her. She held on and screamed for help, and the burglar ran.

## PLANNING TO REMOVE VICE

### Tenement House Commission Holds an Open Meeting in New York.

## ONE PASTOR'S PLAIN TALK

### Rev. Dr. Paddock, Whose Work Has Been Largely in the Tenement District, Describes Vividly Some of the Frightful Conditions and Explains What Can Be Done to Improve Them—The Crusade Against Prostitution Assumes Larger Proportions.

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## ONLY ONE LIFE LOST

### Several Injured in the Train Wreck at Beaver Falls.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Pittsburgh, Nov. 28.—Train No. 41, on the Cleveland and Pittsburgh railroad, was wrecked at 120 o'clock on half mile west of Beaver, this morning. There were at first reports of heavy loss of life having occurred, but later reports put the number at one, with several injured.

The cause of the wreck was a wash-out. There had been recently laid some new tracks along this section of the road, and the heavy rain in the Ohio had loosened the earth.

## BODY OF THE LATE SENATOR DAVIS

### It Will Lie in State in the Capitol at St. Paul—Messages of Sympathy.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

St. Paul, Nov. 28.—The mortal remains of the late United States Senator Charles H. Davis, who died yesterday at his home on Farlington avenue, rest having come after many weeks of weary and painful struggles with disease. The entire city mourned and from all quarters of the globe has come a stream of messages of sympathy for the stricken home and for the bereaved city and state. President McKinley was one of the first to tender his tribute of honor and love for the departed statesman.

It was decided today that the funeral services shall be held at the residence at 11 o'clock Saturday morning, the brief service being in charge of Rev. C. D. Andrews, rector of Christ Episcopal church, assisted by Rev. Theodore Schuyler, rector of the Church of St. John the Evangelist. In deference to the wishes of the many friends who would be unable to attend the services at the house, and at the particular request of Governor Lind, it was also decided that the body shall lie in state in the capitol from 10 o'clock on Friday. A detachment of the National Guard will escort the body from the residence to the capitol and remain as guard during the day, later returning to the house. The interment will be in the cemetery near Governor John Lind this afternoon. A proclamation announcing the death of the senator and asking for a general suspension of business between the hours of 10 and 2 on Saturday, the day for the funeral.

## STRINGENT LICENSE LAW FOR MANILA

### The Objectionable Places to Be Weeded Out and the Number of Saloons Much Reduced.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Manila, Nov. 28.—A liquor license law for Manila has been prepared, which will reduce the number of saloons, and some other streets from obtaining licenses in the same locality after the "stringent" license law is enacted. The present marshal intend to remove the Escocita of the congestion largely due to the presence of so many saloons. Under the new law the license fee will be \$300 in gold and the term six months.

Next Saturday the commission will mail to Secretary Root a report covering the first three months' work, outlining existing conditions, the program, the present status of affairs and the situation generally, and embodying suggestions as to the future, together with questions on certain matters.

All the military on duty will be relieved for tomorrow, Thanksgiving day, with the exception of necessary guards on field duty.

## Denial by Agoncillo

### By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Paris, Nov. 28.—Agoncillo, the agent of Aguinaldo, declares there is no foundation for the statement that he has resigned the leadership of the Filipino junta in Europe or that he is going to Hong Kong to superintend the supplying of arms to the Filipinos.

## Society Women to Dine Outcasts

### By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Chicago, Nov. 28.—The Lake View Woman's club, composed of society women, will give a dinner to the female prisoners in the county jail. The society women will serve as waitresses, while the outcasts will sit at the table.

## Frightful Domestic Tragedy

### By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Milwaukee, Nov. 28.—Charles Neering today shot and killed his wife, then committed suicide by shooting. The tragedy followed an attempt by Neering to slay his three children.

## THE CUBAN CONVENTION

### Has Not Yet Expressed Itself as to Form of Constitution.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Havana, Nov. 28.—At today's session of the Cuban constitutional convention, in the Marti theatre, Senator Lorente attempted to have the convention express an opinion as to the form of constitution to be adopted, whether federal or unitary. He was speaking on the motion of Senator De Quesada to adjourn until Tuesday next, when the first eight days of the permanent organization will be at liberty to hand in suggestions as to the constitution.

Senator De Quesada had argued that the convention ought to adjourn because not to do so would only be wasting the discussion. Senator Lorente contended that the convention should meet daily. "There are many things to be discussed," he said, "and we should not be earning our salaries if we did not meet."

There is an interesting debate of two hours, the motion of Senator De Quesada was carried.

## CORNER ON CORN WINS

### Shorts Settle with Speculator Phillips on the Forty Cent Basis.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Chicago, Nov. 28.—Finding themselves unable to produce enough corn to fill sales made to George H. Phillips for November delivery, the shorts, including several leading elevator firms, it was announced today on the local board had agreed to settle their shortage at 50 cents. The announcement came as a great surprise to those traders who had "tailed" the Phillips operation. At the moment No. 2 corn was selling around 40 cents, one cent from the highest price on the deal. A rush to sell followed and the market made no halt until just before the closing bell, when it rested at 41 cents.

It is understood that those standing short to Phillips since he began gathering up offerings of November corn about a month ago, exhausted every effort to secure enough No. 2 corn to fill their sales. The local stocks amounted to a trifle over one million bushels and the new crop of corn was scarce for delivery. Plans were even considered to bring back a lot of corn from the east, but these were abandoned, and, as Phillips was upheld by the board of trade committee of appeals in his protest against a lot of kiln dried corn, the shorts finally, late yesterday, agreed to give over the bit and settle with Phillips at the even half dollar, where, it was apparent, the manipulator would have no trouble in holding the market.

## REPULSED WOOPER'S MURDEROUS REVENGE

### When the Girl He Loved Would Not Marry Him and Sail Away He Shot Her.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

New York, Nov. 28.—Gerritine Beer, 23 years of age, was shot and fatally injured by her lover today because she refused to accompany him to Germany.

Five years ago she met Charles Meisgarber, a barber. From that time on their relations had been very friendly, and she had promised to become his wife, but kept postponing the marriage ceremony. A few days ago, Meisgarber, who says, told her he had secured the position of barber on the steamship Kensington, which sailed for Antwerp this noon, and he asked her to accompany him on the steamer. She refused to do so, and shortly before 10 o'clock today Meisgarber called at her flat and renewed his entreaties. Again she refused and then, she says, he drew a revolver and, without warning, shot her. He then escaped.

## PHILADELPHIA'S DOG SHOW

### By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Philadelphia, Nov. 28.—The second annual show of the Philadelphia Dog Show association opened today in Horticultural hall and will continue throughout this week. There are 1,038 entries.

## A Plum for Pennsylvania

### By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Washington, Nov. 28.—The state department announces the appointment of W. Irving Shaw, of Pennsylvania, to be United States consul general at Singapore, Straits Settlements.

## DEATH ROLL OF A DAY

### By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Pittsford, Pa., Nov. 28.—Jacob Popper, president of the National Iron bank and one of the wealthiest men in this locality, died suddenly in his office today of heart disease.

Easton, Pa., Nov. 28.—Admiral Keller Michler, one of the old time merchants of Easton, died today of pneumonia and heart trouble. He was 87 years of age.

Washington, Nov. 28.—Nathaniel Wells, a well known chemist, died here today at the age of 107 years. He was a long time friend of Darwin, Spencer and Huxley. Mr. Wells was strong and well until four years ago. His rules for longevity were "say your prayers; keep cheerful; eat heartily and take a bath daily." He probably held the record for voyages around the world, having made the trip five times.

New York, Nov. 28.—Charles Hall Grant, past vice commander of the New York state department of the Grand Army of the Republic, is dead at his home in Brooklyn in his fifty-seventh year.

Hagerstown, Md., Nov. 28.—Mrs. Margaret Slip, one of the basis of the fortune left by John McCaffrey, the eccentric Chicago millionaire, died today at her home near Downsville, this county.

Washington, Nov. 28.—Rear Admiral Frederick C. McAuliffe, died at a stroke of apoplexy. He had been in poor health for many months and it was in contemplation to take him to Europe. Yesterday he was taken violently ill and today his condition became critical and he slowly sank away. He was the ranking rear admiral of the navy and the officer next in line to Admiral Dewey.

## CORNER ON CORN WINS

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## HE POCKETS FAT PROFITS

### Cornered in the Neighborhood of Two Million Bushels of November Corn at 35 Cents and Made the Other Fellows Pay Him a Fifteen-Cent Margin—They Resisted as Long as They Could but Finally Had to Give in.

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The reception accorded the committee by Senator Hanna was most cordial. In replying to his visitors he laid stress upon his appreciation of the honor conferred upon him, and said:

"I believe in my heart I have only done my duty to the country, to my people. I seek no public office and I seek no reward. Although I deeply appreciate the feelings expressed by my neighbors and friends it cannot be the crowning act of my life to sit in the presidential chair. I am growing old and expect to retire after my senatorial term expires. Your kindness and consideration in what I deem to be the proper course deeply touch me, but, after all, says, told her he had secured the position of barber on the steamship Kensington, which sailed for Antwerp this noon, and he asked her to accompany him on the steamer. She refused to do so, and shortly before 10 o'clock today Meisgarber called at her flat and renewed his entreaties. Again she refused and then, she says, he drew a revolver and, without warning, shot her. He then escaped.

## ALL LAMENT DEATH OF SENATOR DAVIS

### Former President Harrison Speaks of It as Constituting a Severe Loss to the Country.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Indianapolis, Nov. 28.—Former President Harrison said today, when asked for an expression regarding the death of Senator Davis:

I learned with deep regret of the death of Senator Davis. While I was in Washington I knew him well and regarded him as an able man. He was a man of strong personality and of high intellectual equipment and had become a power in the senate. His position at the close of his career in foreign affairs was an important one and his death at this time is a severe loss to the country.

Cleveland, Nov. 28.—Referring to the death of Senator Cushman K. Davis, Senator Hanna said today:

I consider Senator Davis' death a great loss to the country and particularly to the United States senate, where his position and ability made a prominent figure and a valuable and important factor at this time. I feel his loss as a great personal one as well as affecting the whole country.

## Eagan Not Reinstated

### By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Washington, Nov. 28.—Officials of the war department deny positively that Commodore George Eagan, now under suspension from the army, has been reinstated. It is further said that General Eagan has filed no formal application to have his sentence set aside.

## Struck and Killed by Engine

### By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Harrisburg, Nov. 28.—William Brown, aged 95, was working in an ash pit at the Pennsylvania roundhouse this afternoon when an engine backed down towards him. In getting out of the way he was struck by the engine and instantly killed.

## Walderses Wants to Return

### (Correspondence of The Associated Press.)

Yokohama, Nov. 19.—Haseki, France, Japan, and America having practically ignored Walderses' credentials, rumors are rife that he has asked for his recall.

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## MacVeagh Visits President

### By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Washington, Nov. 28.—Hon. Wayne MacVeagh, formerly attorney general, was at the white house today. He had an interview with the president.

## THE NEWS THIS MORNING

### Weather Indications Today, PARTLY CLOUDY.

- 1 General—Uncle Sam Holds Check Reins in Chinese Affairs. Corn Speculator Wins a Fat Profit. Efforts to Remove Vice from New York. Delay in Organization of New York's Vice Crusade.
- 2 General—Carbondale Department. New Industry Is Secured.
- 3 Local—How Thanksgiving Will Be Observed. Badly Squeezed on the Railroad.
- 4 Editorial. News and Comment.
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- 6 Local—West Scranton and Suburbs.
- 7 General—Northeastern Pennsylvania News.
- 8 Local—Live News of the Industrial World. Financial and Commercial.

## LABOR DEMONSTRATION IS A BIG SUCCESS

### Over Five Thousand Men, Representing Twenty-five Crafts, in Line in Pittston Parade.

Special to the Scranton Tribune.

Pittston, Nov. 28.—A monster labor demonstration was held here this evening under the auspices of the Pittston Central Labor union. About 5,000 men were in line, representing about twenty-five different crafts. Several floats were in the parade line. The people turned out on mass, the buildings were all gayly decorated and there was an abundance of red fire. It was the biggest labor celebration Pittston has ever had and was arranged in honor of the recent victory of the anthracite coal miners.

After the parade a big ball was held in three different halls. It was labor's night out and a glorious time resulted.

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## THREE BURNED TO DEATH

### Boarder and Two Children Perished in the Plymouth Fire.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Wilkes-Barre, Nov. 28.—The fire at Plymouth at midnight last night destroyed two double dwellings and two barns owned by George Davison and Hugh Tompkins. One of the dwellings was occupied by a man named Michael Lada. He and his family were asleep at the time. They were aroused by neighbors, but the fire spread so rapidly that all the inmates could not get out in time.

The following were burned to death: Andrew Boshes, a boarder, aged thirty-five, and Mary and Andrew Talada, children of Michael Talada.

## STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS

### By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

New York, Nov. 28.—Cleared: La Loraine, Havre, sailed; Oceanic, Liverpool; Aller, Genoa; Kensington, Albany via Southampton, Quebec; Arrived: Maudslowi, New York for Liverpool, Southampton; Arrived: Trave, New York for Bremen; New York, New York; Sallott, Lahn, from Bremen; New York, Rotterdam; Arrived: Measlon, from New York; Sallott, Arrived: Fuert, Bismarck, New York for Genoa, Plymouth; Sallott; Graf Walderses from Hamburg and Southampton, New York.

## COAL SHIPMENTS SOUTH

### By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Pittsburg, Nov. 28.—In less than two weeks 17,500,000 bushels of coal mined in the Pittsburg district has been started on its way to southern ports.

## KENTUCKY ARRIVES AT SNEYDA

### By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Washington, Nov. 28.—The Kentucky Kentucky arrived at Sneyda this morning.