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WYFIELD & TIONESTA RAILWAY TIME TABLE To Take Effect July 1st, 1905. Table with columns for Stations and Time.

MEXICO BUYS RAILROADS

Will Take Control of All Lines in the Republic.

Spelling Order Withdrawn—Congress Adjourns Thursday—Hurled From Auto Into Lake—No Increase For Congressmen—Deficient Coast Defense—Large Inheritance Tax.

Details of the railway merger by which the Mexican government takes control of all important railroad lines in the republic, have become known. The government procures absolute control of the Mexican Central, the National, the International, the Inter-Oceanic and the Hidalgo and North-eastern railroads, all of which will be formed into one great railway system.

President Withdraws Spelling Order.

President Roosevelt will withdraw his simplified spelling order to the public printer and hereafter all documents from the executive departments will again be printed in the old-fashioned style.

Head of Coal Combine Guilty.

E. S. Howell, president of the Omaha Coal Exchange, charged with the other 79 members with maintaining a trust, in violation of the state law, was convicted last Thursday after the jury had deliberated for two days.

Court Martial of Officers.

On recommendation of the general staff the secretary of war has ordered trial by court martial of Major C. W. Penrose and Captain Edgar A. Macklin of Co. C, first battalion, 25th Infantry, under the 62nd article of war.

Congress Adjourns Thursday.

Both houses of congress will adjourn next Thursday for the Christmas holidays unless the senate should change the program adopted by the house, which is not probable. The urgent deficiency appropriation bill which passed the house Saturday, it is expected, will receive the sanction of the senate before the holiday adjournment.

Hurled From Auto Into Lake.

W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr., had a narrow escape from death. With his chauffeur he was speeding his 60-horse Power automobile on the shore of Lake Success, Long Island, when the front axle snapped and the car skidded a zigzag course. A moment later a wheel became detached, the body of the car struck the ground and tore up the road for 15 feet or more.

No Increase For Congressmen.

The house of representatives was brought face to face on Friday of last week with a proposal to increase the salaries of its own members, senators, the vice president, the speaker of the house and cabinet members, while the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill was under consideration.

ENGINEER DID HIS DUTY

Was Dug From the Wreckage Terribly Injured.

Entire Train With Exception of One Pullman Burned—Fast Train Ran Into a Coal Car and Caboose That Were Driven in Front of It by Another Collision.

Rochester, Dec. 18.—New York Central train No. 57, known as the Buffalo local, a fast train running between New York and Buffalo, was wrecked near the pumping station about a mile east of Palmyra, yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock, the engineer was fatally injured and the entire train, with the exception of one Pullman, was burned to the trucks.

Yale Life Made Him a Socialist.

"Control of Yale life by sons of the wealthy is much the same as the large corporations' dominance in civic affairs," says Joseph Millard Patterson, the young Chicago millionaire socialist, who has just begun a course in the Wisconsin Agricultural college.

President Declines Big Hunt.

Colonel William F. Cody, who is in Washington in the interest of irrigation in Wyoming, was one of President Roosevelt's callers. The famous scout sought to interest the president in a "big hunt" in the Rockies next fall.

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Cabinet Nominations Confirmed.

The senate confirmed the nominations of W. H. Moody, Massachusetts, to be an associate justice of the supreme court of the United States, Charles J. Bonaparte of Maryland to be attorney general, Victor H. Metcalf of California to be secretary of the navy, and Oscar S. Straus of New York to be secretary of commerce and labor.

Residence For Cardinal Richard.

The pope on hearing last week that Cardinal Richard, archbishop of Paris, had been compelled to leave the episcopal residence, telegraphed immediately placing the palace of the nunciature in Paris, which is owned by the Vatican, at his disposal and at the same time expressing his cordial sympathy with the venerable prelate.

Phones Sermons to Farmers.

During the revival meetings at Nepesin, Ill., one hundred farmers are nightly reached by the telephone. Evangelist Hicks preaches into a huge megaphone at the church, which is connected with the wires to farmhouses in all the surrounding country.

Favors an Inheritance Tax.

Andrew Carnegie, in an address before the National Civic Federation, said he believed that the major portion of the estates of enormously wealthy men should go to the state upon the death of the possessor of the fortune. Mr. Carnegie opposed a graduated income tax.

Auto Ran Into Station Platform.

Representative and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth were occupants of an automobile which ran into the station platform at Chevy Chase, a suburb of Washington, on Sunday. Beyond a severe shaking up the occupants were uninjured. The machine was slightly damaged.

INDIANS NUMBER 284,079.

Have in U. S. Funds \$35,385,000; Outside of Territories Own 51,478,000 Acres.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Consideration of the Indian appropriation bill, carrying \$2,203,000, was begun in the house. Representative Sherman (N. Y.), chairman of the Indian affairs committee, explained the measure and discussed the whole Indian question.

It was shown that the total Indian population is now 284,079, and that the Indian is rapidly assuming citizen's dress. Indians who could read English last year numbered 63,000, and those who speak the language numbered 70,000. Of the total Indian population, 38,000 were members of regularly established churches.

The Indians have today in United States funds \$35,385,000, upon which an annual interest of \$1,725,000 is paid. The government pays the Indians annually under treaty obligations more than \$750,000. The lands owned by the Indians outside of territories amount to 51,478,000 acres.

Representative Sherman said that the Indian is not gradually disappearing, but that statistics show that last year there were among them 316 more births than deaths.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS ARE BARRED.

Pennsylvania Railway Employees Forbidden to Accept Presents.

Pittsburg, Dec. 18.—Minor officials and prominent employees of the Pennsylvania Railroad company were given a most unpleasant surprise when a notice was posted that no official or employee would be permitted to accept a Christmas present this year from any person doing business with the railroad.

Charged With Contempt of Court.

Herkimer, N. Y., ed. 18.—Henry E. Carey, publisher and W. B. Masterson, special writer of the New York Morning Telegraph, were called to Herkimer to plead to indictments charging them with violating section 143 of the penal code in printing unfair comment in the Gillette trial.

Will Not Further Oppose Raines.

Canandaigua, Dec. 18.—ev. Howard H. Russell, superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of New York state, announced that the league will not try further to defeat State Senator John Raines for present pro tem of the senate. The league's action follows a point debate held here between Senator Raines and Rev. Mr. Russell.

MARKET REPORT.

New York Provision Market.

WHEAT—No. 2 red, 81c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern Duluth, 84c c. i. f. Buffalo. CORN—No. 2 corn, 51 1/2c f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 yellow, 53 1/2c. OATS—Mixed oats, 26 to 32 lbs, 39c 3/4c; clipped white, 26 to 40 lbs, 39 1/2c 3/4c.

Buffalo Provision Market.

WHEAT—No. 1 northern Canada, 87c; No. 2 red, 79c. CORN—No. 2 corn, 46 1/2c f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 yellow, 47 1/2c. OATS—No. 2 white, 39 1/2c f. o. b. afloat; No. 3 white, 38 1/2c. FLOUR—Fancy blended patent, per barrel, \$4.75; winter family, patent, \$4.75; home grown, fancy, per barrel, \$4.50; fair to good, 40c 3/4c.

East Buffalo Live Stock Market.

CATTLE—Choice export steers, \$6.00 to \$6.35; good to choice butcher steers, \$4.25 to \$5.35; medium half-fat steers, \$3.65 to \$4.00; fair to good heifers, \$3.50 to \$4.25; good to choice heifers, \$4.50 to \$4.90; good butcher bulls, \$3.50 to \$4.00; choice veals, \$8.75 to \$9.00; fair to good, \$7.50 to \$8.50.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Choice lambs, \$7.55 to \$7.75; choice yearlings, \$6.00 to \$6.60; cull sheep, \$3.50 to \$4.25.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Summary of the Week's News of the World.

Cream of the News Culled From Long Dispatches and Put in Proper Shape For the Hurried Reader Who is Too Busy to Read the Longer Reports and Desires to Keep Posted.

Rev. Dr. Crapsey has announced that he will deliver lectures attacking some of the doctrines of the church.

Recent railway accidents have caused renewed interest in bills to make use of the block signal system compulsory.

Secretary Metcalf's report on the Japanese trouble shows Japan's complaint was prompted by maltreatment of her subjects by labor unions on the Pacific coast.

Mgr. Montagnini, secretary of the papal nunciature at Paris since the recall of the nuncio, was arrested upon an order expelling him from France and was conducted to the frontier.

Thursday.

Senator Burrows attacked the right of Senator Reed Smoot, as a member of the Mormon hierarchy, to a seat in the senate.

By the capsizing of a ferry boat on the Nervion river in Spain 16 persons were drowned. Seven bodies have been recovered.

King Leopold is about to cede territory in the Congo Free State to the British authorities to enable the Cape-to-Calvo railway to pass.

It was decided by the official canvass that the plurality of Hughes over Hearst in the state was 57,973, and that of Chanler over Bruce 5,442.

Chester E. Gillette, who was sentenced to be electrocuted during the week beginning Jan. 28 for the murder of Grace Brown, was taken to Auburn prison yesterday.

Friday.

The divorce suit brought against Mrs. August Hartje of Pittsburg by her husband was decided in favor of the defendant.

Referring to recent occurrences in California, Secretary Root, in a speech, pleaded for a more complete federal control of the states.

Senator Rayner of Maryland, in a speech before the senate, took issue with the president on the treaty rights of Japan regarding California schools.

Emperor William has authorized the chancellor to dissolve the reichstag if it refuses to pass the appropriation for the Southwestern African war, on which the retention of the colony depends.

The case of Albert T. Patrick, convicted of the murder of William Marsh Rice and under sentence of death, against the state of New York was dismissed in the supreme court of the United States on motion of his counsel.

Saturday.

Governor-elect Hughes warned all public service corporations in a speech at Rochester to give better service.

Defeated by 10 votes on the question of the German Southwest Africa budget, Chancellor von Buelow dissolved the reichstag.

Senator Dubois of Idaho declared President Roosevelt had lost the respect of ten million American women by upholding Mormonism and Reed Smoot of Utah.

Chronicles the utter absence of disorders predicted by extremists in connection with the separation law, a Paris dispatch says the reactionaries will be disappointed.

Clifford Hoop, negro coachman for Augustus Hartje, was taken to the penitentiary for perjury in the Hartje divorce case, while a mob clamored for his life in Pittsburg.

Monday.

Count of votes in New York Life and Mutual Life elections for directors is to be made Tuesday.

Governor-elect Hughes repeated his pledge to investigate all departments in Albany, including that of banking.

Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr., sail from New York for the purpose of endeavoring to reunite the Duke and Duchess of Marlborough.

European diplomats regard war between the United States and Japan as the matter of only a few years and predict titanic struggle over Philippines.

Sufferers from the fuel famine in the Northwest appeal to Washington that the army be used in forcing and assisting the railroads to haul coal to relieve their distress.

Tuesday.

W. F. Bywaters was shot and killed by the brothers of the bride he had just married as he was attempting to escape from her house at Culpepper, Va.

PISTOL FIGHT WITH BURGLARS.

One Young Man Was Fatally Wounded, Another Arrested.

Pittsburg, Dec. 17.—In a fight with burglars Saturday night, in the notion store of Mrs. Mary Neenan at New Kensington, Pa., 30 miles east of here, Officer James J. Lemon shot and fatally wounded Elmer Kuhn and arrested Albert Romig, young men well known in Kensington.

There are peculiar circumstances connected with the robbery. Early Saturday evening Romig notified the police and Mrs. Neenan that an attempt would be made to rob the store. Lemon was detailed on the case and secreted himself in the store. Romig pointed a revolver at Mrs. Neenan while Kuhn held up the young lady clerk. Lemon commanded both men to surrender.

Kuhn tried to strike him with a black jack and Lemon fired three bullets into Kuhn. Romig did not resist arrest. Romig says he notified the police because Kuhn threatened to kill him unless he assisted in the robbery.

The Pittsburg authorities were notified and will investigate as the New Kensington police believe the men were implicated in the murder of Henry Smith, who was recently killed here by burglars.

NO DEPOSITS WITHDRAWN.

Closing of Waynesburg Bank Has No Effect on Other Institutions.

Waynesburg, Dec. 15.—A feature which is regarded as remarkable in financial circles here in connection with the closing of the Farmers & Drivers National bank is the fact that not a dollar was drawn out of any other Waynesburg bank on account of the embarrassment of the Farmers & Drivers. All other banks gained in their deposits.

Bank Examiner J. B. Cunningham of Pittsburg, who was appointed receiver of the Farmers & Drivers bank, is not ready to make any statement in regard to the condition of the bank or the probable date of reopening.

Under its recent management the earnings of the bank were \$85,000 per annum on \$200,000 capital stock. The shares, par value \$50, have sold as high as \$310.

Harrisburg, Dec. 15.—State Treasurer Berry sent a personal letter with Bond Clerk Greer to each of the 14 bondsmen of the Farmers & Drivers National bank of Waynesburg asking them to meet Treasury Cashier Measy in Pittsburg next Wednesday to pay the \$75,000 state deposit in the institution. The treasurer took this action to save the bondsmen being compelled to pay \$3,800 in attorney's fees in addition to the amount of the state funds.

Millionaire Murdered.

Washington, Pa., Dec. 15.—Word was received in Washington of a double murder at Del Rio, Tex., last Friday, one of the victims being Blake M. Cauthorn, a wealthy ranchman, who, with his wife, formerly lived in Washington. The other victim was J. W. Ralston, also a ranchman. A. R. Sibley, the alleged murderer, was shot and killed by a sheriff. The men were shot from ambush. The murderer secured about \$4,000 from Cauthorn and about \$1,000 from Ralston. Cauthorn's wealth is estimated at \$1,000,000. His wife, formerly Miss Edith Hamilton of this place, a daughter of James R. Hamilton, is sole heir.

Woman Raced; Verdict Out.

Greensburg, Dec. 15.—Because she was entered in a fat woman's race at the annual picnic of the miners of the Keystone Coal & Coke company Mrs. Nellie B. Stapleton of Greensburg was denied big damages for personal injuries by a jury in Common Pleas court. Mrs. Stapleton sued the Greensburg Southern Electric Street Railway company for \$8,000 on account of injuries alleged to have been sustained in alighting from a car. It was brought out in testimony that she had taken part in the race and she was allowed only \$601.50.

Farmers' Week at State College.

State College, Dec. 15.—The Trunk Line association has granted an open rate of one fare for the round trip from all stations in Pennsylvania to State College, on account of Farmers' week, Dec. 27 to Jan. 2. The schedule, giving the names of 18 lecturers and the subjects of over 40 lectures and demonstrations in practical agriculture, may be secured from Professor H. E. Van Norman, State College, Pa.

Humane Society Quits.

Beaver Falls, Dec. 15.—At a meeting of the directors of the Beaver County Humane Society Rev. T. J. Allen, who had been canvassing the county for several months for subscriptions in aid of the society, reported that although he had worked faithfully he had raised only about \$500. The directors decided to disband the society.

Ex-Convict Killed as Bandit.

Mansfield, O., Dec. 17.—Herbert Hollingworth, recently released from the penitentiary, broke into a hardware store here Friday night, stole eight revolvers, held up and robbed several persons on the streets and was finally shot and instantly killed by Police Captain Marks.

Brookville, Pa.—Caught by a passenger train on a railway bridge at Puckert, James Dobbins, a miner, leaped into the Red Bank creek, 4 feet below. He was rescued unhurt by firefighters.