

# THE NEWS.

## Domestic

United States Commissioner Mark A. Fotee, of Chicago, ordered the deportation of Bob Leong, of El Paso, Texas, convicted last summer before Judge Landis of smuggling Chinese from Mexico.

Thomas Thorne, an actor, well known in Baltimore, committed suicide in Chicago where he was playing the chief reporter in "The Fourth Estate."

Cold weather and heavy snowfalls checked to a considerable extent building operations in the principal cities of the United States during February.

The trolley strike in Trenton, N. J., was settled when the Trenton Street Railway Company granted the men the wages they asked—23 cents an hour.

The Far Eastern Association Medical Conference accepts the theory that beri-beri has its origin in the polishing of rice.

John J. Showalter, a Pennsylvania oil producer, 40 years old, dropped dead in the lobby of a hotel at Long Beach, Cal.

Peter Stricks, said to be a discouraged lover, was arrested, charged with dynamiting the home of Mrs. John Shokus, a widow, of Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

A tablet has been placed in the University of Pennsylvania, in honor of John Nixon, who first read the Declaration of Independence in public.

The body of Thomas Collier Platt was interred on the heights of Evergreen Cemetery, overlooking Oswego, the city of his birth.

Rare Sevres ware, lent by the French government, will be exhibited at the French Hospital Bazaar, to be held in New York.

Women both in favor of and opposing votes for women, visited the General Assembly at Albany, N. Y.

A W. S. Shirley, who was assassinated at Little Rock, Ark., bequeaths \$200,000 to the Odd Fellows.

Jefferson M. Andrews, secretary of the American Sunday School Union, died in Philadelphia.

Charged with embezzling \$100,000 of the funds of the First National Bank of Tipton, Ind., William H. Marker, formerly cashier of the bank, was placed on trial.

Bloodhounds and detectives are searching for Miss Helen Bloodgood, who eluded her nurse and disappeared from Lakewood, N. C.

Logan M. Bullitt, the civic reformer, who was arrested by order of Mayor Reuburn, of Philadelphia, was fined ten dollars.

Mrs. Jack Cudahy, of Kansas City, whose husband attacked Banker Jere F. Lillis, has refused offers to go on the stage.

Edward McGann, paymaster of the Dexter Coal Company, of Pittsburg, was held up by highwaymen and robbed of \$4,000.

Crossed electric wires caused a fire loss of \$75,000 at the Westinghouse Machine Company's plant at Pittsburg.

Robbers dynamited a safe in the bank at Edna, Kan., and escaped on a handcar with \$4,000.

Excited foreigners caused a run on the City of Savings Bank, of Cleveland, O.

Three persons were killed and 25 injured by the collapse of the rains in Pittsburg.

The police force of Rutherford, N. J., has gone on a strike.

Pittsburg plants have orders for 10,000 steel railroad cars.

## Foreign

The Russian commission cleaning up the corrupt and demoralized quartermaster's department of the army returned 25 indictments of officials, including Major General Pilsudsky.

The strike of the Northern coal miners in New South Wales, which began last November, has been declared off. Four of the strike leaders were sentenced to imprisonment.

A Russian police inspector was sentenced to four years in prison for manufacturing evidences on which three students narrowly escaped court-martial and death.

The Prussian Diet adopted the section of the electoral bill providing for secret voting at primary elections for members of the electoral college in Prussian districts.

The honor of all concerned having been violated in the two duels fought by Eugenio Chiesia in Rome, the other duels engagements in the code were called off.

The Colombian Minister of Foreign Affairs apologized to the American Minister at Bogota for the behavior of the mob which attacked the legation.

John Mesel, a Bulgarian, was hanged in an Albanian town, for the murder of George Thoburn, a farmer, Mrs. Thoburn and Mrs. Thoburn's mother, Mrs. McNiven.

The embezzlement of M. Duez, the liquidator of French church properties, estimated at approximately \$2,000,000.

Count Raunand von Bourlatis has been appointed attaché to the German Embassy at Washington.

The first regular air navigation service is to be inaugurated at Munich, Bavaria, May 15.

Zia Pasha has been appointed Turkish ambassador to the United States.

M. Loraine fell with a Bleriot monoplane in which he was flying at Pau, France, at a height of 30 feet, and was badly hurt.

Dr. Carl Lueger, the mayor of Vienna and widely known as an anti-Semite, died in the Austrian capital.

The anti-American rioting was checked in Bogota.

**Kills Himself in Hotel.**  
Colorado Springs, Col. (Special).—Earl B. Thomas, Jr., 30 years old, the son of Brigadier General Earl B. Thomas, commander of the Department of Colorado, with headquarters in Denver, shortly after 12 o'clock fired a bullet into his brain in his room at a local hotel, dying instantly.

The shipments of Mexican guayule rubber from the Durango consular district to the United States, writes Consul Charles M. Freeman, amounted in value to \$1,391,930 in 1909, an increase of \$1,992,452 over the previous year.

Of the average annual world's sugar crop about two-thirds, or 10,000,000 tons are used in Europe, the United States and Canada, while the other third is absorbed by the rest of the world.

A kilowatt almost exactly equals one and one-third horse power.

## A NEW GIBRALTAR AT MANILA BAY

### Corregidor Island Prepared For a Long Siege.

### COMPLETE PLAN OF PERFECT DEFENSE.

To be Prepared For War In The Pacific The Government Has Made This Island As Impregnable As Possible, So That It May Be A Place Of Refuge For Women And Children Should The Philippines Be Attacked.

Washington, D. C. (Special).—Preparedness on the Pacific is the watchword of the War Department, and its most striking expression is the creation of a new Gibraltar in the Philippines.

Experts speculating as to the possibility of war, even in the remote future, have agreed that the first understanding of an enemy in the Pacific would be to seize the Philippines and Hawaii.

This seems also to have been the sentiment of officials of the War Department, and they have met the situation, so far as the Philippines are concerned, by constructing at the entrance to Manila Bay a stronghold believed to be able to withstand any force.

Great attention has been put in a state of perfect defense and provision for a possible siege of three years.

Four 10-inch guns protect the sea approaches, and batteries of rapid-fire guns now cover every landing place. It is the purpose of the government to place the entire military force on the island, together with all the women and children, on the island at the first sign of trouble.

Artesian wells have been sunk at different places on the precipitous island, giving an adequate water supply, and huge tanks have been completed for storing water under gravity pressure for fighting fire.

At protected points warehouses have been erected for the three years' supply of food already accumulated there.

The plan evolved by the military authorities in the event of war is to abandon every military post in the archipelago, destroying all property which would be of service to an enemy and to transfer all the troops and resident Americans, together with the government treasure, to the island and await there the coming of a relief force.

Corregidor Island is approximately four miles in length and a mile and a half wide at the broadest point. It is of volcanic formation and a natural fortress.

It was learned that the unusual secretiveness in the recent past of the new 14-inch naval gun at Sandy Hook was not imposed through the desire to guard from publicity the effectiveness of the big gun, but was due to the fact that the target used was built of the secretly prepared concrete which is being used in the defense of Corregidor and the neighboring island of El Frailite.

The Japanese ordnance officers have designed a 14-inch gun which is almost an exact replica of the gun tested at Sandy Hook, and it was desirable to ascertain the effect of the fire from this powerful gun on the material being used in the battery emplacements of the defenses of our island possessions. It is reported that the new material withstood the fire directed against it most satisfactorily.

## TO GREET ROOSEVELT.

### Pittsburgers Plan To Sail To Sea And Escort His Ship In.

Pittsburg (Special).—Pittsburgers are planning to welcome Theodore Roosevelt on the high seas as he approaches his home shores. The American Club and the Young Men's Republican Tariff Club, of which Mayor Magee is president, are arranging the trip.

A joint meeting of the clubs will compile plans for special trains to New York and for chartering of a steamer to carry at least 1,000 persons. It is planned to sail out about 24 hours and meet the Roosevelt ship, escorting it to port.

## Danced More Than 14 Hours.

San Francisco (Special).—Six men and six women were taken to a hospital after dancing without interruption for 14 hours and 41 minutes at the first annual San Francisco "dancing marathon." The couples will divide \$140. The legs and backs of all were badly swollen, and three of the women will probably be in the hospital for a week or more.

## Robbers Escape On Handcar.

Edna, Kan. (Special).—Robbers dynamited the safe of the Bank of Edna, secured an amount estimated at \$3,000 and escaped on a handcar after exchanging shots with a number of citizens. One of the citizens, who it is believed he was not seriously wounded.

## Sentenced For Ninety-Nine Years.

Kansas City, Mo. (Special).—William Jackson, negro janitor charged with attacking six young white girls, was convicted in the Criminal Court and sentenced to 99 years imprisonment. Former Governor A. H. Burke, of North Dakota, was foreman of the jury.

## Harriman Estate \$140,000,000.

Albany, N. Y. (Special).—State Comptroller Williams has received \$75,000 in partial payment of the transfer tax on the estate of the late Edward H. Harriman.

The transfer bureau of the Comptroller's office estimates that the final settlement will be made on an estate of about \$140,000,000.

The payment just made is on \$71,000,000.

## Bruce Harris Killed.

Birmingham, Ala. (Special).—Bruce Harris, alleged wife murderer, formerly of Lynchburg, Va., was shot and instantly killed by Detective C. S. Nations while resisting arrest here. Harris was wanted in connection with the murder of his wife in Lynchburg, September 7, 1909.

Chicory, used to mix with coffee, is the oldest known adulterant of food. In some cheap restaurants the coffee is often half chicory.

## ENGLISHMEN MOB MR. PATTEN

### Make It Hot For Him In English Cotton Exchange.

Hostile Reception Led By Men Who Had Lost Large Amounts As A Result Of American Speculator's Operations In Chicago—On Arriving In Liverpool He Is Given Friendly Greeting On The Corn Exchange—Irritated Over Treatment In Manchester.

London (Special).—A hostile demonstration on the floor of the Cotton Exchange at Manchester and one directly contrasting it for friendliness on the Corn Exchange, at Liverpool, were met with by James A. Patten, the Chicago wheat and cotton operator.

In the first, Mr. Patten was mobbed and probably escaped injury through being rescued by the police, in the latter he was greeted with cheering and other manifestations of friendliness.

The brief vacation in England of the Chicago operator had been spent mostly about the Liverpool markets, and he made up his mind to run over to Manchester to see the city and visit the cotton exchange.

As soon as Patten appeared on the floor of the Cotton Exchange a broker shouted "Patten!" Instantly hostile cries were raised and the air was filled with "boonings" and "cat-calls" mingled with an occasional cheer.

Amid the din the brokers rushed toward the American, who was quickly surrounded by a threatening mob and jostled hither and thither, as the pressure of excited throngs behind carried those in the circle up and down the floor of the pit in an exhausting scrimmage.

After a while, the brokers exerting their energies in a common direction made a final rush and drove the wheat king out of the door and into the street.

The exchange was suspended and hundreds of men left the pit and followed the speculator into Bank Street, where another crowd was soon assembled.

At this point the visitor received a reception even more riotous than that which greeted him in the exchange. The mob hurled epithets, and a hundred fists were shaken at Patten, who turned deathly pale as the threatening crowd pressed closely and seemed on the point of personally assaulting him.

At a critical moment a strong force of police arrived and, forcing their way through the rioters and officers, surrounded Patten, and a moment later they had hustled him into a cab, in which he was hurriedly driven to a railroad station. He took the first train for Liverpool.

## ESTRADA SEEKS PEACE.

### Revolutionary Leader Asks United States To Intervene.

Washington, D. C. (Special).—General Estrada, the head of the Nicaraguan Revolutionary faction, is now ready to accept any reasonable terms as a basis for peace.

The State Department has received, through the consul at Bluefields, a communication asking for the intervention of the United States with a view to the selection of a provisional president other than himself or Madriz, and an agreement between the two factions for an early election for President under the Constitution and a recognition of the rebels.

It is declared to be the intention of the United States to keep hands off the Nicaraguan situation until there is a practical agreement of the two factions for an appeal to the United States.

## BIG TOBACCO EARNINGS.

### Trusts' Profits One Half Of Its \$40,000,000 Capital.

New York (Special).—The American Tobacco Company, which is now fighting the Federal suit for its dissolution before the United States Supreme Court, made public its annual report for 1909, which showed that the so-called Tobacco Trust earned 50 1/2 per cent. on its \$40,000,000 common stock.

The net earnings of the "Trust" were \$20,448,334, an increase of \$1,743,979 over last year, which, after deductions and preferred stock dividends, left a balance of \$20,327,296. The report shows that the company's assets has a total surplus of \$42,499,140, an amount larger than its issue of common stock.

## KILLED IN AUTO CRASH.

### Former Virginian Meets Death At Gary, Ind.

Gary, Ind. (Special).—Alfred D. Milteer, secretary of a realty company of this city, was killed; John Geisel, whose home is at Wilmet, Minn., was seriously injured and two other men were slightly hurt in an automobile accident here.

Dr. E. E. Geisel, a son of John Geisel, and Ora McNeice, a chauffeur, were the two who received minor injuries.

Milteer is survived by a wife and eight children. He moved here from Whiteville, Va., about two years ago.

## GAYNOR DEFINES LARCENY.

### Will Not Pay Bills For Phones In Officeholders' Homes.

New York (Special).—Mayor Gaynor sent to District Attorney Whitman the bills rendered the city for telephones used in the homes of the old Aqueduct Commissioners and hitherto charged by them to department expenses. When the Mayor was asked if it is a crime for a city official to have a city-paid telephone in his home, he answered that larceny is a crime.

**Panic During Fire in Poorhouse.**  
New York (Special).—The poorhouse at Hempstead, L. I., was destroyed by fire. One aged inmate was burned to death, though a young woman nurse risked her life to save him. Five other inmates were seriously burned and taken to the hospital. There was a panic when the flames were discovered and nearly forty of the poor leaped from the windows of the blazing structure.

In the rural districts of England and Wales the death rate is about 23 per cent. lower than in the urban districts.

## 17 MEN ENTOMBED BY WALL OF FIRE

### Many Miners Are Killed at Wilkes-Barre.

### FAINT HOPE OF RESCUE BEING MADE.

Accident Occurs In The No. 5 Shaft Of The Lehigh And Wilkes-Barre Coal Company—Explosion Of Gas Causes A Heavy Fall Of Rock—Between Seven And Seventeen Men Are Entombed And There Is Little Hope For Them.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa. (Special).—From 7 to 17 men were entombed in the No. 5 shaft of the Lehigh and Wilkes-Barre Coal Company, near here, as the result of a terrific explosion of rock and wall of fire and, at present, there appears to be little hope of rescuing them alive.

The explosion occurred shortly after 9 o'clock in the No. 12 plane, where a gang of men were putting together a hoisting engine. The mine was idle all week and the men were taking this opportunity of putting the engine together.

What caused the explosion is not known, but it is believed that the men struck an unknown accumulation of gas with their naked lamps.

The explosion was an exceedingly heavy one and the fall of rock extended for some distance along the plane.

A fire fighting force was organized and at 11 o'clock a thousand feet of hose was sent down into the mine in an effort to play water on the fire. There was a good supply of water, but the firefighters were handicapped by deadly fire damp which gathered in large quantities.

None of the officials was able to tell the number of men who were in the workings when the explosion occurred, but the men were being beaten their way over the head with heavy hand bills.

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The horse and buggy and the money satchel were gone. McGann, on his hands and knees, crawled to the Dexter coal mine, almost a mile distant, and told the workmen who were waiting for their pay. Pommering was carried to the hospital at Scranton, where it was found that, aside from having a crushed skull, that one of his eyes had been knocked out entirely. McGann, too, is in a serious condition.

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So Is Woman, And Savannah Police Connect All Three.

Savannah, Ga. (Special).—James M. Doyle, for several years teller of the Hibernia Bank here, is missing, as is \$10,000 of the bank's cash, taken from its vault at the close of business Saturday night.

Connected by the police with the disappearance of Doyle is that of a woman who left several days before he did, and with whom the police assert he was infatuated.

President M. A. O'Byrne, of the bank, said that the money was taken all at one time and in large bills; that when Doyle left the bank he put the time lock on the vault so that it could not be opened until Monday morning.

Doyle has a wife and several children here.

## WASHINGTON BY TELEGRAPH

The monument erected in Statuary Hall, in the Capitol, to the memory of John C. Calhoun was unveiled, and the States American Union, the House and Senate, held both in the House and Senate.

The House Committee agreed to favorably report the McCall bill requiring the publication of campaign contributions and expenses.

A medal of honor and a gratuity were awarded to Chief Electrician William E. Snyder, of the Navy, for extraordinary heroism.

The House Committee adopted an amendment to the administration railroad bill to prevent stock-watering.

Representative Madden introduced a resolution whose purpose is to greatly enlarge the powers of Congress.

Chemist Wiley found 92,000,000 germs on an old dollar note handed to him for investigation.

Former Secretary of the Interior Garfield stated that Mr. Ballinger, while commissioner of the General Land Office, submitted to him an affidavit signed by Clarence Cunningham, in which he stated that the Guggenheim syndicate had no interest in the Alaska coal lands.

Attorney General Wickersham rendered an opinion which stated that foreign steamship companies whose vessels ply between American ports and those abroad are subject to the corporation tax.

The State Department received word from Consul Wallace at Jerusalem that two American women were fired upon by Afghan fanatics and wounded.

Charles H. Evans, who assisted the congressional committee in preparing the various tariff bills from 1872 to 1897, died, aged 78 years.

The U. S. S. California, a gunnery vessel, was seriously injured and a woman from drowning.

President Taft withdrew the nomination of John M. Mulford to be postmaster at Lebanon, O.

The House passed the Military Academy Bill, appropriating \$1,700,000, was passed by the House.

The Indian Appropriation Bill, carrying about ten million dollars, passed in the Senate.

From the joint committee on the Revision of the Laws Senator Heyburn reported a bill providing for the codification, revision and amendment of the laws relating to the judiciary.

The Department of Justice has accepted the offer of Pierre Garven, prosecutor of Hudson County, N. J., to furnish evidence in the Beef Trust cases.

A second attempt to have the House pass a bill providing for the purchase or erection of embassy buildings in foreign capitals was defeated.

An appropriation of \$100,000 is provided for the establishment of submarine signals along the Atlantic Coast in a bill passed by the Senate.

A joint resolution was offered in Congress aiming to investigate the death of Lieut. James M. Sutton, of the Marine Corps, at Annapolis.

Representative Hobson and Payne were in a tilt in the House over a bill to provide for the construction of a military road with convict labor from the prison at Port Leavenworth.

## HIGHWAYMEN GET \$5,000

### Paymasters Robbed in Two Holdups.

Spring From Woods Into Back Of Buggy While Paymasters Were Driving To Mine Of Dexter Coal Co.—Beaten Inseparable And Left On Roadside—Horses, Buggy And Money Satchel Gone.

Pittsburg, Pa. (Special).—Edward McGann, paymaster, and Charles N. Pommering, assistant paymaster, respectively, of the Dexter Coal Company, of Pittsburg, were attacked by highwaymen at 1 o'clock while carrying a \$4,000 payroll in a buggy near the company mines at Brilliant, O. At a late hour both men were still unconscious at a hospital in Steubenville, O., while the murderous highwaymen, who escaped with the money, are thought to be hiding in the hills of West Virginia, across the Ohio River from the place of the holdup.

The Dexter Coal Company, from its office in the Frick Building at Pittsburg, gave out notice that it would pay \$1,000 reward for the highwayman, dead or alive, and officers in Eastern Ohio, Northern West Virginia and Western Pennsylvania are busy trying to catch the men.

McGann left Pittsburg going to Wellsburg, W. Va., by the Panhandle train, which he left at that point and crossed the Ohio River in a boat to be met by Pommering, who had a buggy in which they were to carry the money to the Dexter mine, about two miles back from the river.

The pair had passed an old schoolhouse far from any other house and were about to enter a wood when some men, who had apparently been hiding behind the schoolhouse, ran after them and, springing light on the back of the buggy, began beating them over the head with heavy hand bills.

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## THE WRECK OF THE MAINE.

### President In Favor Of Raising The Historic Hulk.

Washington, D. C. (Special).—The President told a delegation of United Spanish War Veterans that he was heartily in favor of the proposition to raise the wreck of the Maine, in Havana harbor.

The committee consisted of Charles H. Stephens and Mrs. Stephens and Burnhard Wall and Mrs. Wall, of New York; Gen. Nelson A. Miles and several others. They laid before the President the resolutions adopted at the Carnegie Hall meeting, in New York, February 20, asking for the raising of the wreck of the Maine, and Mrs. Wall pinned upon the President's coat one of the ribbons which the society is selling to raise a fund for the wrecking work.

## TO ILLUMINATE TORPEDOES.

### Pacific Flotilla Will Use Them In Night Practice.

Los Angeles, Cal. (Special).—A week of spectacular night practices will be begun by the ten vessels of the Pacific torpedo flotilla. During practice eight torpedoes will be discharged by each destroyer while going at full speed and the torpedoes will be illuminated so that their course to the mark may be traced in the darkness. This week the flotilla is at what the men call "ping-pong" practice, in which the large caliber ammunition is supplanted by service rifles attached to the guns and fired at close range targets.

## Carload Of Babies Given Away.

New Orleans (Special).—Wednesday they gave babies away in New Orleans. A carload of the little tots arrived here from New York founding and orphan asylums, with an eager crowd of claimants awaiting their arrival. In addition to those who had previously made successful claims to a baby, many presented about the car in the hope that there might be some "left over," but those who had applied in advance got every baby in the car.

## Five Years For Grafter.

San Francisco (Special).—The Court of Appeals upheld the conviction of former Supervisor M. W. Coffey, in connection with the graft disclosure of the Ruef-Schmitz administration. Coffey was sentenced to five years in San Quentin.

## In One Nebraska Town Of 800

population 40 autos were sold last year to farmers near the town and retired farmers in the town. Careful estimates of the number of automobiles owned by farmers in the United States is 75,000.

## THE B. & O. MEN WILL NOT STRIKE

### Both Sides Make Concessions and Peace Reigns.

### MORE PAY FOR OVER 6,000 EMPLOYEES.

After Many Fruitless Conferences A Compromise Is Reached, But Details Will Not Be Given Out Until A Few Minor Matters Are Disposed Of—Labor Chiefs Declare That The Settlement Means A "Substantial Increase For All Concerned."

### QUESTIONS AT ISSUE.

The dispute directly involved over 6,000 men.

The increase in wages demanded by the trainmen and conductors was claimed by them to be but nine per cent.

The railroad company claimed the increase in pay asked was fourteen per cent.

The men asked a change in handling double-header freights and the lay-over system of working men.

The demands of the trainmen were made in January, 1910.

Mediation was opened at the request of President Daniel Willard, of the Baltimore and Ohio, on March 2.

Conferences were opened Friday, March 4, and continued every day.

Baltimore (Special).—There will be no strike on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. An agreement on the wages and service conditions controversy, which has been the subject of mediation by Dr. Charles P. Neill and Judge Martin A. Knapp, was reached shortly before midnight.