

HUNTING WORK IN SUMMER.

A graduate of the University of Minnesota has asked the New York Post and the Chicago Tribune to air his reasons why commencement should be held in the fall instead of in June.

Following the store robbery and shooting of a policeman in Cleveland by a boy, inflamed by stories of Wild West life and highwaymen, a councilman of that city has introduced an ordinance prohibiting the sale of trashy and immoral books to the youth.

It is a base libel on the American hen to charge that she could lay about twice as many eggs as she does every year, and is therefore slothful.

The new minister of war in France, M. Messimy, is growing unpopular with the French officers.

Every dweller in tropical or semi-tropical countries knows that windows and doors should be closed in the early hours of the morning, and not opened again until sunset if the house is to be kept reasonably cool throughout the day.

An interesting sight in London is one of the great periodicals sales of raw skins and furs held at a fur warehouse in the city.

A baby of four months was one of the passengers in the German Zepplin airship, the youngest on record.

It has been found that Russian cavalry will kill cholera germs. It is cheaper, however, to hire two doctors.

JEERED TO FLY BURNS TO DEATH

Frank Miller, a Young Aviator, Meets His Doom.

CROWD CALLS HIM COWARD

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

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

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

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

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

BITTER ON DR WILEY'S FOES

La Follette Calls for Dissolution of all engaged in Case.

Madison, Wis.—In a bitter editorial in the last issue of La Follette's magazine, Senator La Follette demands the retirement of the plotters who sought to oust Dr. Harvey W. Wiley. In part he writes: "The charge against Wiley was a pretext to get the vigilant and honest chief chemist. It collapsed under the broadside of publicity. . . . Solicitor McCabe must go. "Secretary Wilson may be forced to retire. But it would be a sorry perversion of justice to drop Wilson and keep Wickersham. Wilson has to his credit years of service in the upbuilding of agriculture. Wickersham has not a single achievement to commend him to the public. . . . Fair dealing to the public demands that all plotters, high and low, be removed from the positions of honor and trust which they have smirched."

RISE IN FOOD STUFFS.

This Time It is Banned on Result in Canada.

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

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

Sharman Will Recover.

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

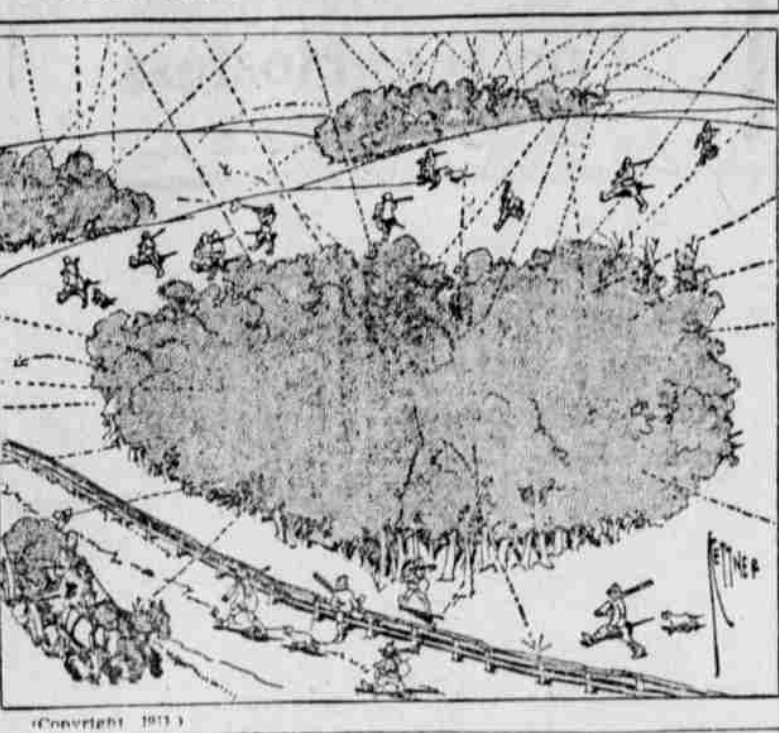
Fifty Perish in Storm.

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

Another Aeroplane Test.

Washington.—Aeroplanes are soon to be put to a further severe test by the War Department. It is desired to ascertain whether it would be practicable to drop a 200-pound bomb from one of the fliers without endangering the machine and the lives of its operators. Sergeant M. Idereick, an expert on explosives, has been ordered from San Diego, Cal., to the Army Aviation School at College Park, Md.

A PEST THAT NOW INFESTS THE COUNTRY



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BIGGEST OF TRUSTS YIELDS

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

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

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

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

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

BROTHER KILLS BROTHER.

Hoe is Used With Fatal Effect in Fight on Farm.

Salisbury, Md.—Walston's Switch, a little village about five miles east of Salisbury, was the scene of a bloody conflict in a cornfield in which Theodore Ennis killed his younger brother, Eddie, in the presence of their father, John Ennis. The father and his son Theodore had some words concerning the shares of corn due each, and Eddie Ennis became involved in the dispute. Eddie pulled his knife from his pocket and lunged at his brother Theodore, cutting him and also cutting the father's clothing while he was attempting to separate the boys. Theodore seized a hoe, and the two brothers went at each other fiercely, and after several gashes had been inflicted by each Theodore sent the sharp edge of his hoe into the brain of his brother.

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

A KISSLESS HUSBAND.

Judge Grants Mrs. Mary Lyle Willis a Divorce.

Kansas City.—If a husband will not permit his wife to kiss him, then she is entitled to a divorce, decided Judge Walter A. Powell, in the Circuit Court at Independence, Mo., in the case of Mrs. Mary Lyle Willis against Archie C. Willis. "When I would attempt to fondle and kiss him he would call me silly and tell me to go away," the woman testified. Judge Powell immediately granted her a decree.

TENNESSEE DEMOCRATS SPLIT

Independents Open War By Planning General Primary

Nashville, Tenn.—Political war was formally declared in Tennessee, when State committeemen of the Independent Democratic faction appointed a sub-committee to make plans for a general primary. This action follows closely on the heels of the regular Democrats' refusal to declare peace with the Insurgents for the Presidential campaign.

Dead Horse Kicks.

Seymour, Conn.—John Bagdous' jaw was broken when a dead horse kicked him. John kicked the corpse, and reflex action caused the ex-horse to kick back, and John's jaw got in the way.

Robbed of \$400 in Church.

Chicago.—While Samuel Remington was attending church at Polk street and Ashland avenue, some one reached into his pocket and took out a wallet containing \$400 in notes, \$80.00.

BUTCHERED IN THEIR BEDS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

TILLMAN TO RUN AGAIN.

Announces His Intention to Succeed Himself.

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



BENJAMIN R. TILLMAN.

U. S. Senator from South Carolina.

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

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

New Kind of Incubator.

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

To March 500 Miles.

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

Big Oil Fire Loss \$1,250,000.

Los Angeles, Cal.—The fire at the plant of the Hercules Oil Refining Company at Vernon, which has burned for 24 hours, was brought under control Tuesday night.

Cordeles With Russia.

Washington.—Acting Secretary of State Huntington Wilson has sent a message of condolence to the Russian government upon the death of Premier Stolypin.

HAY RACK RIDE ENDS IN DEATH

Fast Train Dashes Into Party of Merry-makers.

SIX BODIES ON ENGINE PILOT

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

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

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

RECIPROCIITY SHELVED A WHILE

Unde wood Doesn't Believe Next Session Will Consider It.

Birmingham, Ala.—"I do not believe anything will be done in the next Congress over the proposition of Canadian reciprocity," said Chairman Underwood, of the House Ways and Means Committee, when asked what disposition would be made of the matter. "The reciprocity act," he added, "could hardly come into Congress unless the two Governments open negotiations, and this not being possible now, I do not believe there will be anything said or done."

FRANCE SENDS SECOND REPLY

Two Nations Not Far Apart on Moroccan Question.

Paris.—The latest reply of the French Government to the German proposals, which was approved Saturday by President Faillieres, who received the Cabinet at Rambouillet, was dispatched to Berlin by special messenger. A semi-official communication says that the reply shows some slight divergence from the text of the German note, but adds that the changes are inspired by the general views expressed by Herr von Kiderlein-Waechter and M. Cambon.

Boy Scouts Condemned.

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

His Testimony Was Satisfactory.

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

To Succeed Senator Frye.

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

Higher Than War Prices.

New York.—Prices of food products are soaring so fast that it is freely asserted in wholesale circles that within another month the attitude record of a year ago would be exceeded, and that by the first of the year the necessities of life would be out of reach of the common people. Wholesale dealers made no effort to minimize the situation. It is most serious, they say, and few had any reasonable excuse or explanation to offer.

Postmasters' Election.

The State Association of Fourth Class Postmasters adjourned here to meet next year at Easton. The following officers were elected: President, H. G. King, New Freedom; Vice-President, R. L. Kirk, Libertyville; Secretary, T. F. Burnett, Plainsville.

Philadelphia Charters Granted.

Philadelphia charters were issued as follows: Marks Bros. Co., capital, \$50,000; Philadelphia Real Estate and Development Co., capital, \$100,000, and Espoir Realty Co., capital, \$5,000.

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Black opals worth more than \$5,000,000 have been found in New South Wales since 1890, most of them being obtained from deposits of ironstone and sandstone.

STATE CAPITAL NEWS

State Sues Town.

Suit for recovery of fines to the amount of \$42,150 for violation of the State purity of streams act of 1905 was brought in the Dauphin County Court here by the Attorney General's department against the borough of Jeannette, Westmoreland County. The suit is for the largest sum ever claimed for such violations, and is brought at the instance of the Commissioner of Health on the ground of alleged disregard of notices to obtain permits for extension of sewers and to file plans. Under the terms of the act all municipalities must obtain authority from the Commissioner of Health for extension of sewer systems under penalty of \$500 fine and \$50 penalty per day and must also file plans of sewer systems or pay \$50 fine. It is alleged in the statement filed that in February, 1907, the borough applied for a permit to extend sewers, but extended them without waiting for authority. Later this authority was granted, but subsequently new sewers were constructed into Brush Run without State sanction, although warnings to obtain permits were given. The statement claims the fine and \$50 daily penalty from June 1, 1908, for disregard of the requirements and a \$50 fine for failing to file any plans.

Gives \$25,000 For Orphans.

The State Council Jr. O. U. A. M. voted to make the council a representative body so that only delegates may vote and hold office. This action, which is the consummation of years of discussion, was carried by a close vote. The council voted \$25,000 as a foundation for a fund for orphans of members of the order, with directions that it be added to yearly. Reports were received showing growth in the order, and a campaign to add 10,000 more members was inaugurated. Altoona was selected as the next place of meeting and the following officers were elected: State councillor, Thomas F. Ashford, Pittsburgh; vice-councillor, Harry N. Selly, Holmesburg; treasurer, A. H. Leslie, Hoboken.

Actor To Escape Noose.

The State Board of Pardons has recommended to the Governor commutation of the death sentence of George L. Marlon. Marlon killed his wife in 1909 and was convicted in January, 1910, being sentenced to be hanged on September 28, after the State Supreme Court had affirmed the verdict of the lower court. At the hearing the plea was made that the time of the murder Marlon was insane, and members of the jury, prosecuting officials and experts for the State joined in stating that it was a fit case for exercise of the pardoning power.

Unveil Barnard Statues October 4.

The Barnard Statues Commission met here, with the Governor, and approved the arrangements that have been made under the direction of Chairman Robert R. Deardon for the ceremonies of the unveiling of the Barnard statues in front of the State capitol on October 4. An interesting announcement was made to the effect that while the sculptor, George Grey Barnard, modestly declines to take anything but a spectator's part in the program, the commission has obtained the consent of his good father, Rev. Jos. H. Barnard, to deliver the invocation. Some years ago the veteran clergyman expressed the wish that he might live to see the completion of the work his son was doing for the capitol.

State Refuses To Pay Claims.

The State Live Stock Sanitary Board refused to pay claims amounting to \$17,000 made against the State by railroads for disinfection and cleaning of cars and yards and by farmers for expenses and loss incurred in quarantining cattle during the outbreak of the foot and mouth disease in this State several years ago. The United States Government, which paid three-fifths of the cost of cattle and buildings destroyed, has also refused to pay such claims. The State takes the position that such expenses and loss were incurred as precautions for the public welfare and are not like bills for infected cattle killed.

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