

JOHN LA FARGE.

Artist's Will Leaves Distribution of Estate to Woman.



Newport, R. I., Dec. 28.—The will of John La Farge, artist and author, has been opened in the probate court here and proved to be an unusual document.

None of the members of Mr. La Farge's family are mentioned in the will, nor is there any intimation whatever of the size of his estate, nor does he leave any specific bequest in terms of cash.

TO BEAT THE WILSON GUN.

Republican State Senators Will Hurry Reform Legislation.

Trenton, N. J., Dec. 28.—When the Republican members of the New Jersey senate came out of a lawmaking program conference here it was evident that the senate, which will be Republican by a small majority, will attempt to make Republican capital at the expense of Governor Elect Wilson and the Democratic house by passing a mass of legislation between the time of meeting of the legislature Jan. 10 and the inauguration of Governor Wilson Jan. 17.

In the past it has been the rule in the legislature to spend the first few weeks of the session each year with a lot of preliminary work of decidedly minor importance. This year it is planned by the Republicans to pass a number of "reform" measures in record time by introducing them the opening day of the session, referring them to committees and then rushing them through the necessary readings to final passage by the end of the first week of the session.

Among the measures which will be passed is one dealing with advanced public utilities ideas.

EARTHQUAKES IN PANAMA.

If They Grow Stronger the Canal May Be Damaged.

Colon, Dec. 28.—Earthquakes of considerable severity have caused alarm in the provinces of Chiriqui, Veraguas and Los Santos, 150 to 200 miles from Panama City. A series of severe shocks were felt Dec. 20 and 21. Each shock was sharp and heavy.

The city of David was damaged most. It is stone built, while other smaller towns are of wooden construction. Earthquakes are frequent even in Colon, but they are not severe and long continued as these. At the most they break a little crockery and tip over a few chairs.

The recent upheavals have brought to the surface the ever latent dread that the canal may be damaged by some cataclysm of the sort.

Cheaper Berths In Canada.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 28.—The price of the upper sleeping berths in Canada is to come down. The Canadian Pacific and Northern Pacific railways maintain their own sleeping cars, but it is announced that they will meet the cut imposed upon the Pullman cars in the United States.

Market Reports.

BUTTER—Steady; receipts, 4,278 packages; creamery, specials, per lb., 31c.; extras, 29 3/4c.; thirds to firsts, 28 1/2c.; held, specials, 25 1/2c.; seconds to extras, 24 1/2c.; state dairy, common to finest, 23 1/2c.; process, 23 1/2c.; factory, current make, 23 1/2c.

CHEESE—Steady on whole milk; skims weak; receipts, 1,218 boxes; state, whole milk, specials, per lb., 15 1/2c.; September quality, fancy, white, 15 1/2c.; colored, 15 1/2c.; later make, as to quality, 14 1/2c.; part skims, 14 1/2c.; full skims, 14 1/2c.

EGGS—Receipts, 5,987 cases; state, Pennsylvania and nearby, hennery, white, per dozen, 36 1/2c.; brown, 40 1/2c.; gathered, whites, 36 1/2c.; brown, 36 1/2c.; fresh gathered, extra firsts, 36 1/2c.; firsts, 33 1/2c.; seconds, 28 1/2c.; refrigerator, special marks, 25 1/2c.; firsts, 24 1/2c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Generally weak; fresh killed turkeys, nearby, per lb., 23c.; western, young, choice, 20 1/2c.; old hens, 18 1/2c.; old toms, 17 1/2c.; broilers, Philadelphia, per pair, 40 1/2c.; 3 to 4 lb., to pair, 25 1/2c.; state and Pennsylvania, 3 to 4 lb. to pair, 20 1/2c.; chickens, Philadelphia, over 8 lbs. to pair, 20 1/2c.; Pennsylvania, over 8 lbs. to pair, 18 1/2c.; western, milk fed, roasting, small boxes, 14 1/2c.; corn fed, roasting, small boxes, 12 1/2c.; milk fed, roasting, lbs., 12 1/2c.; corn fed, roasting, lbs., 11 1/2c.; mixed weights, 12c.; fowls, western, small boxes, 12 1/2c.; average best, lbs., 12 1/2c.; roosters, 11c.; spring ducks, western, 15 1/2c.; spring geese, western, 12 1/2c.; squares, white, per dozen, \$2.50; dark, \$1.75.

HAY AND STRAW—Steady; timothy, per 100 lbs., \$6.40; shipping, 7.00c.; clover, mixed, 6.00c.; clover, 6.00c.; long top straw, 5c.; oat and wheat, 4c.

4 CHILDREN BURIED.

Roasted Alive When Acetylene Tank Explodes.

THEIR PARENTS ARE INJURED.

Other Gas Fatalities Include Asphyxiation of an Entire Family In Indiana—Telephone Brings Physician to Aid of Three.

Ogdensburg, N. Y., Dec. 28.—Word has reached here from Warwick of the burning to death of four children of David Barit. The explosion of an acetylene gas apparatus in the house caused the fire. The four children, who were sleeping in the upper part of the house, were burned alive. The father and mother, occupying a bedroom downstairs, were severely burned trying to rescue their children.

The side wall of the house was blown from its foundation by the force of the explosion.

The victims were Rachel, aged seven; Lucienne, aged five; Mariola, four, and Marie Anne, three years of age.

Children Locked In; House Burns. New York, Dec. 28.—Mrs. Julia Janison, a negro, fed her children, Frances, four years old, and James and John, the three-year-old twins, placed some milk and bread on the table for their noon meal, locked them in so that they would be safe and went to her work.

In the afternoon the house in which she lived caught fire. When the firemen entered the burning house the three children were found lying on the floor. They had died of suffocation.

Gas Kills a Family.

Hammond, Ind., Dec. 28.—Asphyxiation by gas wiped out an entire family here. The dead are Mrs. John Rucker, aged sixty; Joseph Rucker, her son, aged seventeen, and Matilda Rucker, her daughter, aged twenty.

The discovery was made by boys returning from skating, who saw the dead form of the son leaning against a window, which he had evidently tried to open before he died. The bodies of the mother and girl were found together in bed.

Doctor Saves Lives.

Muncie, Ind., Dec. 28.—When a local physician answered his telephone early in the morning a weak voice asked him to hurry to the number given. There the physician found Tony Hofel, a civil engineer and contractor, his wife and James Foust, a roofer, unconscious from the effects of gas which had escaped from a base burner stove.

STRIKER LURED TO DEATH.

Had Incurred Enmity of Other Drivers by Being Last to Quit.

New York, Dec. 28.—Charles Flanagan, a driver of a delivery wagon for a dry goods store, who had been one of the last to go out during the recent drivers' strike and who, according to his father, thereby incurred the enmity of the strikers, was shot down and killed. The man who shot him escaped.

Some one called him up on the telephone at his home and told him to come right over to the stables. As Flanagan walked through Seventeenth street a man stopped him, according to witnesses. The two stood there a minute, and suddenly the man who had stopped the driver drew a revolver. He pressed the revolver against Flanagan's stomach and fired once.

THOUSAND WOULD MARRY HER.

Gets \$100,000 Fortune and Proposals Immediately Come In.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 28.—Left a fortune of \$100,000 three weeks ago, Miss Alma Stanley, a young teacher in the Atlanta public schools, is being deluged with letters from men who want to marry her. Miss Stanley estimates she has received more than a thousand offers of marriage by mail in two weeks. The offers came from all sections of the United States.

"I am not considering any of the offers," said Miss Stanley, who is very pretty. "The motive of the writers is too evident."

BULGARIAN EX-MINISTER DIES.

M. Payakoff Was About to Explain Charges When He Expired.

Sofia, Bulgaria, Dec. 28.—M. Payakoff, ex-minister of finance, died suddenly of heart failure during a debate in the sobranje in reference to the proposed impeachment of the Stambouloff ex-ministers, of whom he was one.

Eighty-eight deputies lately signed a demand for the prosecution of the ex-ministers for corruption and illegality. M. Payakoff was about to explain his position when he fell dead.

Wrights Fail to Get Injunction.

New York, Dec. 28.—Supreme Court Justice Page denied the application of the Wright company restraining the Aero Corporation, limited, which conducted the Belmont park aviation meet, from paying out any money pending a suit by the Wrights to recover \$15,000 claimed to be due on the agreement of the Wrights not to molest the foreign competitors in the meet by reason of claims for infringement of patents.

MRS. BELVA LOCKWOOD.

Washington Woman Attorney Is Being Sued on Grave Charge.



Dalton, Ia., Dec. 28.—Mrs. Belva A. Lockwood, the woman attorney, of Washington has been sued here for \$10,000 damages by James B. Brackett, a citizen of Dalton, and the case will be called for trial next week. Brackett accuses Mrs. Lockwood of maliciously having him arrested in an attempt to extort money.

The case grew out of a government settlement of the claims of the descendants of the eastern Cherokee Indians. Brackett's family received more than \$4,000 of this money, and Mrs. Lockwood demanded 10 per cent of this, which Brackett refused on the grounds that he had not employed her.

Mrs. Lockwood had him arrested, charging him with larceny after trial. When the case was heard the charge against Brackett was dismissed and Mrs. Lockwood was rebuked by the court.

"IT'S FALSE," WILSON SAYS.

In St. Louis Smith's Statement Is Denied.

St. Louis, Dec. 28.—Governor Elect Wilson of New Jersey upon his arrival here to address the joint session of the American Economic association and the American Political Science association was interviewed for the St. Louis Post-Dispatch regarding the statement of James Smith, Jr., candidate for the United States senate from New Jersey.

The Post-Dispatch quotes Dr. Wilson as saying that he intends to carry out his program of speeches at various places in New Jersey at the homes of members of the legislature, urging the election of James E. Martine.

"Any statement that I discussed with Mr. Smith since the primary the election of any other person than Mr. Martine to the senatorship is a falsehood," Governor Elect Wilson said.

Mr. Smith in a statement charged that Wilson since the election told him that Martine would not be a desirable senator and agreed to confer with Mr. Smith regarding an available substitute. This statement Dr. Wilson emphatically declared to be false.

JOHN D. JR., AS SANTA CLAUS.

Although Late, Employees Welcome the Gold Pieces.

Tarrytown, N. Y., Dec. 28.—Although late, John D. Rockefeller, Jr., was a welcome Santa Claus, as he distributed presents of gold pieces among the station employees. Mr. Rockefeller distributed gifts personally and wished all a merry Christmas and a happy new year. Mr. and Mrs. Rockefeller are spending the holidays on their Pocantico Hill home.

Although John D. Rockefeller was detained in New York, he furnished the large Christmas tree which was stacked with all kinds of presents for the Sunday school children and furnished all the decorations. There was general regret among the children when they learned that Mr. Rockefeller could not be present to hand out the stockings of candy.

25 YEARS FOR KIDNAPERS.

Judge Fawcett Sentenced Marie Rappa and Pattenza to Long Terms.

New York, Dec. 28.—Stanislaw Pattenza and Marie Rappa, who were convicted last week in the county court of Brooklyn of complicity in the kidnaping of Joseph Longo and Michael Rizzo on Nov. 10, have been sentenced by Judge Fawcett each to not less than twenty-five years' imprisonment nor more than forty-nine years and ten months.

Pattenza goes to Sing Sing and Marie Rappa to Auburn prison.

TALE OF THE WEATHER.

Observations of the United States weather bureau taken at 8 p. m. yesterday follow:

Table with columns for City, Temp., and Weather. Includes New York, Atlantic City, Boston, Chicago, St. Louis, New Orleans, Washington, Buffalo, Albany.

DATE OF MCKINLEY'S BIRTH IS NOW IN DOUBT.

Was It Jan. 20, 1852, or Feb. 25, 1847? Historians Give Both.

When was President McKinley born? Recent as is the administration of William McKinley, the date of his birth and his age at death are already subjects of dispute. In all the years Mr. McKinley was a member of the house of representatives the Congressional Directory, containing a sketch which he was presumed to have prepared himself, gave the date of his birth as Feb. 25, 1844.

When he became president the same Congressional Directory set forth the date of Mr. McKinley's birth as Jan. 20, 1843, a difference of a year and twenty-eight days.

Representative Burke of Pennsylvania, who has been invited to deliver an address on President McKinley on the anniversary of his birth, does not know if he should speak on Jan. 20 or Feb. 25. He has consulted Congressional Directories for the Forty-fifth, Forty-sixth, Forty-seventh, Forty-ninth, Fiftieth and Fifty-first congresses, and in each instance the date of Mr. McKinley's birth is given as Feb. 25, 1844. Consulting the directory of 1897, however, Mr. Burke finds the president's birth recorded as on Jan. 20, 1843, the date which has been celebrated since the death of the martyred president as McKinley day or carnation day.

How these conflicting statements could have escaped detection in all the years that William McKinley was a national figure is inexplicable, but it now remains for the historical experts to unravel this surprising and mysterious conflict of dates.

TEACH FARMERS' DAUGHTERS.

Netherlands to Have Schools of Housewifery and Farm Labor.

According to an Amsterdam news paper, the government of the Netherlands proposes to establish schools in different parts of the kingdom to instruct farmers' daughters in the duties of housewifery and as workers on farms. Such instruction has hitherto been given in the courses of various institutions throughout the country, but never in schools specially devoted thereto.

At the outset summer schools will be started, teaching the more essential elements of the housewife's duties. Later the courses of instruction will be broadened with the natural growth of the schools. The design of these schools will be to give such practical instruction as will combat the danger of inspiring farmers' daughters with ambitions outside of farm life. Consistent with this design the schools and pupils will be kept in rural surroundings as far as possible.

The courses contemplated in these schools are nature study, zoology, botany, cooking, washing, ironing, sewing, household duties generally, household administration, nourishing foods, etc. It is proposed that as interest in the schools increases still more comprehensive lines of instruction will be gradually introduced in the various provinces of the kingdom.

KANSAN WARMS HIS ORCHARD.

Five Hundred Stoves to Succeed Present Smudge Fires.

Sam Young, who owns a sixty acre orchard south of Atchison, Kan., is making 500 sheet iron stoves which will be placed in his orchard next spring. Mr. Young has twice saved his orchard from frost by the use of smudge fires and believes the stoves will be more effective. They will cost him about 40 cents each to construct, not counting his own labor, and he figures it will take five men to keep them going.

Other orchard men in that locality are being won over to the theory of protecting their orchards from frost. Ben Stuart, who sold \$5,000 worth of apples in 1910, figures he has saved several crops this way, but Young is the first man to introduce stoves on a large scale.

POPULATION CENTER MOVES.

Hoosier Statistician Places It in Brown County, Ind.

If statistics carefully computed by former Lieutenant Governor Hugh T. Miller of Indiana are to be accepted the new population center for the United States has moved thirty miles west and two miles north in the last ten years.

It is now situated, he says, in Washington township, Brown county, Ind., near the Monroe county line, in longitude 86 degrees 21 minutes 4 seconds and latitude 39 degrees 11 minutes 1 second, or in township 9 north, range 3 east.

RASPBERRIES GROW ON TREES.

Pennsylvania Farmer Has Novel Specimen of Bush.

Raspberries do not grow on trees or shrubs, but they do for A. W. Shaw, a farmer residing in Hellam township, York county, Pa. Mr. Shaw is the owner of a raspberry bush of the yellow variety. This bush is as large as an average peach tree. It stands eighteen feet high, and the longest branches growing out of the side of the main trunk reach over fifteen feet on both sides.

Flying Machine Is Complicated.

Four groups of wings, two of two wings each and the others of three wings, flapped by cranks attached to a motor, are the features of a flying machine recently invented by a German.

Covering the Mirror.

Covering the mirror when there's death in the family or guest in the supposition that goblins, sprites, elms or other uncanny creatures would crowd to the glass to look on.

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