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Three hundred Delaware policyholders, particularly of the Mutual, New York Life and Equitable, met October 30 and adopted resolutions calling on the state insurance commissioner to require life insurance companies to answer questions concerning campaign contributions and similar subjects before doing business in that state.

A Paris cablegram to the New York World, under date of October 30 follows: "Influential New York friends of Elliott F. Shepard, who was sentenced here last Thursday to three months' imprisonment, fined \$120 and ordered to pay \$4,000 damages to the parents of a girl who was killed by Mr. Shepard's automobile last April, are cabling for the purpose of securing the intervention in his behalf of the American officials here. The question is under consideration, but no step has been taken, owing to the executive branch of the government here not having authority over the courts. Mr. Shepard's attorney has given up his intention to appeal, as the fine and imprisonment were the minimum, leaving no ground for appeal."

Thirteen persons were killed and thirty were injured in a wreck October 30 on the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe near Kansas City.

Rear Admiral Train, commander in chief of the American squadron, and his son, Lieutenant Train, while out pheasant shooting accidentally shot a Chinese woman, slightly injuring her. Hundreds of villagers surrounded the officers, savagely attacking them. American marines were landed and rescued the admiral and his son.

Five men were killed by a head on collision between two freight trains on the Rock Island road October 30 near Casey, Iowa.

Prince Louis of Battenburg is visiting in America.

Operators and mine owners of Kentucky coal mines say they will oppose railroad rate regulation.

Colonel T. J. Jackson of Newton, Kan., chief of staff of the Kansas G. A. R., was fatally injured October 31 by being run over by a Santa Fe train at the Kansas City union depot.

Charles A. Stillings of Boston has been appointed Public Printer.

George Bernard Shaw's play "Mrs. Warren's Profession," was stopped by the police in New York City on the charge that it was indecent.

The net earnings of the steel trust for the quarter ending September 30, were \$31,240,582, a gain of \$12,466,650 over the third quarter last year. Unfilled orders on hand amount to 5,865,377 tons.

The mayor of Minneapolis has decided that the Sunday saloon must go.

Berlin dispatches say that Emperor William of Germany advised the czar to grant Russia a constitution.

An Associated Press dispatch under date of Frankfort, Ky., October 31, follows: "The Kentucky railway commission today through Chairman McChord, promulgated forty-two ques-

tions to be answered by all railroad companies operating in and through the state, upon responses being made to which it will begin the investigation and hearing inaugurated several months ago looking to the regulation of all traffic rates charged for hauls within the confines of the commonwealth. It fixed Tuesday, November 14, in the department of the commission here, to begin the hearing, which will last several months. The questions put to the companies are grouped under four headings, they being as to "valuation," "gross earnings and income," "operating expenses" and "traffic and mileage statistics." The companies can only be required to answer as to Kentucky traffic, passengers and freight, and the questions as put are directed only as to these.

Peter Campbell of Akron, Colo., former register of the land office, and a number of county officers, politicians and business men, were arrested October 30, charged with forgery and perjury in the location of government land.

Governor Luke E. Wright, of the Philippines, was given a farewell banquet at Manila, October 31.

G. S. Leads, general manager of the Santa Fe Refrigerator Dispatch, testifying before the interstate commerce commission, admitted that rebates are given to shippers in the California fruit service by practically all car lines.

The attorney general for the state of Kansas has commenced proceedings to oust from that state the Pullman Car company on the ground that the car company failed to pay to the state treasurer the charter fee of \$14,800.

President Roosevelt has issued his proclamation naming Thursday, November 30, as Thanksgiving day.

Sir Purdin Clark, director of the Metropolitan museum, arrived at New York November 3 and announced his intention of becoming an American citizen.

Federal authorities in Minnesota have commenced proceedings against Frederick Hyde, John A. Benson and C. E. Glover to recover twenty-six tracts of government land in Minnesota which it is alleged the defendants obtained through fraud.

An Associated Press dispatch under date of New York, November 3, follows: "William Astor, son of William Waldorf Astor, was called on to pay a \$2 tax as an alien today before being admitted into the United States. This tax was levied on the section of the United States laws requiring a head tax of \$2 for every alien landing in this country. William Waldorf Astor, one of the largest holders of real estate in this city, lives in London."

From many of the interior cities of Russia come reports of conflicts in which the Jews appear to be the principal sufferers. The Kieff correspondent of the Reuters Telegram company, under date of November 3, says: "The Jewish quarter has been given over to plunder, rapine and murder ever since the emperor announced the granting of a constitution. That day during a monster demonstration from the city hall a shot was suddenly fired. The Cossacks and dragoons immediately

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