

**SOCIETY**

**Pleasures of the Week.**  
Mrs. August Zitkowsk celebrated her birthday anniversary Sunday at her home in Edgewater, where a large number of friends and relatives gathered to congratulate her. Among the out-of-town visitors were: Mr. and Mrs. Gustave Marutz, Hoskins; Mrs. Frank Benser, Hoskins; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wertzlich, Hoskins.

Thanksgiving evening Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Willey gave a 6 o'clock dinner in honor of Mr. Willey's birthday. Those present were: Dr. and Mrs. L. A. Culmsee, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Harvey, Mr. and Mrs. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Scott, Glen Willey and Miss Ollie Drebert. What was the evening's entertainment.

Mrs. J. Baum entertained a small company of ladies very informally on Tuesday afternoon. Bridge furnished entertainment. The high score favor was awarded to Mrs. W. N. Huse. Mrs. Baum served a delicious supper at 5 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Seasons enjoyed a splendid Thanksgiving dinner with Mr. and Mrs. George Berry at their ranch, eight miles west. Dr. and Mrs. Tanner of Battle Creek were also guests of Mr. and Mrs. Berry.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Huse entertained a small company at bridge on Thanksgiving night. S. M. Braden made the high score of the evening. Lunch at 11 o'clock rounded out the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Baum entertained the West Side whist club on Monday evening. Mrs. Baum served tempting refreshments at the close of the games.

**Personals.**

Mrs. W. G. Baker came up from Omaha on Wednesday to spend a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Huse. Mrs. Baker will return home tomorrow.

Mrs. M. A. McMillan and granddaughter, Miss Ruth Harding of Omaha, spent Thanksgiving in West Point with Mr. and Mrs. McLaughlin.

Mrs. B. S. Toblas of Wellington, Kan., spent a couple of days with her sister, Mrs. A. Morrison, the past week.

Mrs. G. W. West of St. Paul, Neb., is in Norfolk for a week's visit with her daughter, Mrs. C. J. Fleming.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Braden left yesterday for Huron, S. D., for a short visit with Mr. Braden's brother.

**Coming Events.**

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Groesbeck will entertain a dozen friends at a Thanksgiving dinner tomorrow.

**Hymenial.**

**Osten-Thiemke.**  
George Osten of Norfolk and Miss Adella M. Thiemke were married at the home of the bride's parents at 113 North Twenty-fifth street, Omaha, at 10 o'clock Saturday morning. Immediately after the ceremony the young couple went to Wichita, Kan., where after a short visit with relatives they will return to Norfolk, probably Tuesday evening. They will make their home on Koehnstein avenue and Twelfth street, where Mr. Osten has rented and beautifully furnished the Gibson residence. Mr. Osten is superintendent of the Norfolk Light and Fuel company. Before coming here about one year ago he was superintendent of the Fairbury gas plant, and for some time was employed with the Omaha Gas company. Miss Thiemke is favorably known by a number of Norfolk people. At Omaha she is popular in social circles and is a member of a prominent family.

**Gordon Pioneer is Dead.**

Gordon, Neb., Nov. 26.—A special to The News: Solomon J. Dix passed away at his home here from a complication of bronchial troubles. Mr. Dix was a member of the G. A. R. and a pioneer at Gordon. He settled with his family here, with the Indiana company that founded Gordon, twenty-five years ago last spring. He leaves a wife and several grown sons and daughters.

**A Coffee Steamer Wrecked.**

New Orleans, Nov. 26.—A special from Savannah says: The steamer Crown Prince, bound from Brazil to New Orleans, wrecked off Cape San Antonio, October 16, is rapidly breaking up. From her forward hold have been taken 15,000 bags of coffee, untouched by the salt water. The remaining 5,000 bags are a loss.

**Great Stock Show.**

Chicago, Nov. 26.—Thoroughbred horses, blue-blooded cattle and sheep and hogs with family trees that would put many human aristocrats to blush are Chicago's guests today and will display their charms during the annual International Live Stock exposition at the stock yards. Nearly every state of the union and every province of Canada have sent animals to the big show, and, with a big prize list and the certainty of a large attendance of spectators, the exposition will surpass all records.

**In Picturesque Tripp County.**

Pahaposto, S. D., Nov. 26.—Special to The News: Pahaposto township is in the northwest corner of the Rosebud reserve in Tripp county. It received its name from a butte which can be seen for miles around, and is, in fact, a landmark. At the base of the butte is the postoffice, general store and blacksmith shop, while to

the south, north, east and west the prairie is dotted with buildings belonging to homesteaders. Lyman county is on the north, and Mellette county, the next county to be thrown open to the white settlers, is on the west.

As one goes north on the Presho trail, the road seems to climb up but breaks or deep draws and ravines on either side, until the dome of heaven seems close overhead, and the valleys of the White river and Cottonwood creek lie far below. The view is beautiful. In the summer time the winding river with the trees and hills beyond, coming so suddenly upon one's view, as it is first seen from the top of the table land fairly takes one's breath. On a clear day the smoke of the engine can be plainly seen as the train pulls in and out of the station at Vivian, across the river in Lyman county, some twenty-five miles away. Here are a profusion of wild flowers, many beautiful varieties. Along the White river and the creeks is found much wild fruit, many grapes and plums. Last fall, although all the fruit had been killed by the freeze late in the spring in other parts of South Dakota, the river was lit up on either side with red bushes, loaded with hundreds of bushels of buffalo berries. Along the river are ideal spots for camping expeditions and picnics. Many parties take advantage of the fruit and fishing each summer and camp near the river.

The fact that this part of Tripp county was so far from the end of the road at Dallas, and that it was supposed to be all very rough was probably responsible for the fact that many good claims were left open and were filed upon after the first of October, and during the squatters' rush. This fall a very comfortable little schoolhouse was erected near the butte, where most of the children of school age are. Pahaposto means in the Indian language, "high, steep elevation."

Here, as in other parts of Tripp county, there are men and women from many states, many professions, and many walks of life, all desirous of obtaining 160 acres of ground, most of these to be permanent homes. It takes considerable courage to go sixty miles from the railroad. Last summer two sisters, both school teachers, who have claims up here, being in need of lumber, provisions, etc., made three trips to Gregory for freight, nearly seventy miles away, with a team composed of an old buggy horse belonging to one of them, and the other's little saddle broncho. Their experience were many and varied. Some laughable, others serious. The broncho had a way of stopping half way up a steep hill to admire the surrounding country, refusing to move an inch until the spirit moved him, some times this would be for a short time, some times for several hours. Then he would make up for lost time going down a hill and scattering the whole load on the decline.

On Oak creek, right across the line and in Mellette county, is the Bad Nation Indian school. In this neighborhood live many Indians. These red skins are very partial to a certain kind of soap not appreciated by the white man. Recently one of the latter purchased a very fine hound from an Indian. Later when tying him up, while putting a collar around his neck the dog gave an unearthly yell. An examination showed a straight gash several inches long. The former master had evidently postponed the erstwhile intended feast after almost ending his canine existence.

**MUTINOUS SHIPS RETURN.**

**Brazilian Navy Rebels are Given New Commanding Officers.**  
Rio Janeiro, Nov. 26.—The mutinous vessels of the Brazilian navy which put to sea yesterday to await positive assurance of the government's good faith in granting their demands for naval reforms and full amnesty, spent the night outside the bar, returning to the harbor this morning. The warships were still flying the red flag but the crews made it known that they would be turned over to the authorities according to the terms of surrender agreed upon at noon. New commanding officers have been appointed by the mutineers.

**In No Shape for War.**

Washington, Nov. 26.—Major General Wood paints a gloomy picture of lack of preparedness of the army in case of war in his annual report to the secretary of war. There are weak spots in many directions, he said, and most serious is the shortage of field artillery and ammunition, a fault which should be immediately corrected. General Wood declared there is a great lack of reserve sea coast ammunition and that, at the present rate of appropriation by congress, it would take more than fifty years to obtain a reasonable supply of ammunition for the coast defense and a still longer time to obtain the necessary artillery and ammunition.

**Fear Trouble in Greece.**

Athens, Nov. 26.—Greek authorities are preparing for possible serious riots on the occasion of the general elections Monday.

**Belgium's Queen is Better.**

Brussels, Nov. 26.—Bulletins issued by the attending physicians today indicate that the condition of Queen Elizabeth is improving. It is understood she has suffered from typhoid.

**Woman Aviator Coming.**

Los Angeles, Nov. 26.—Cody, Harding and Gibbs, the English aviators whose exploits have preceded them across the Atlantic, have agreed to fly at the aviation meet in Los Angeles next January, according to the announcement of their committee, which is arranging the events under the auspices of the Aero Club of California.

**A Ride Over the Road.**  
Norfolk, Neb., Nov. 26.—Editor The News: Recently we traversed by auto the ancient realm of the Sioux Indians, traveling from Carter, S. D., to Valentine, Neb. The plowshare of civilization has yet scarcely obliterated the trails of the Indians and the walls of the buffalo in all that vast region and much of it is primitive as when first fashioned by the Mesozoic age. The genius of man will ultimately overcome all difficulties regarding the settlement of this region and it will some day sustain a large population. A journey across these lands is an exhilarating experience. Over the broad and fertile table lands, along rugged canyon walls and terraced buttes, we spurned distance as the miles receded and the shimmering horizon unfolded before us in limitless perspective. We loitered betimes in some hill-encircled valley where the dancing sunbeams sought repose in lakelets nesting in bowls of golden sands, and here we took toll of myriad flocks of ducks basking in the sheen of sunlight and rippling water. Always, however, speeding or loitering, we gazed with awe and reverence upon the wonderful buttes, consecrated through unreckoned centuries by the graves and council fires of a race whose beginning of days is recorded among the mysteries of the infinite and whose end of life is now decreed by the inflexible destiny of evolution. Duskly, as if bathed in an elixir of amber, purple and gold, the buttes loomed athwart the horizon—miniature mountains, superimposed upon the level table lands as if antediluvian giants had suddenly abandoned their wheelbarrows and left incompleting sections of mammoth forts and railway grades higher than the Norfolk postoffice. It is a land of illusion, where the witchery of the mirage mirrors in the sky the panorama of butte, valley and lake, where the rocks are etched and carved and pigmented as if by the hand of giant sculptors. The lights and shadows soften, gild and glorify even the desert until it glows with tints of transcendent loveliness and the mind is lost in contemplation of the entrancing picture. Above the golden haze of autumn an eagle soars in the cloudless sky, the wind is hushed, the silence and sublimity of the wilderness awes the senses and fills the heart with ineffable peace. The gorgeous tints of the setting sun radiate and scintillate from the variegated pigmented strata of the buttes, their cast silvery glances upon the lakes and bathe the shadows with a mystic purple gleam. The hypnotic spell of nature is rudely dissipated by whirling wings that arise almost from beneath the wheels of the car and the alluring picture of a fat prairie chicken in the frying pan dispels other pictures for the time. Once we disturbed a coyote from his siesta and raced with him for about a mile. Although we attained a thirty-five mile speed, Mr. Foyes simply set his speed lever up another notch and kept ahead with that deceiving lunge that fairly eats up distance. A ditch across our course compelled us to slow down, but we felt that we had given the coyote a work-out such as he had never enjoyed before. Up in the Rosebud country the settlers all look upon Norfolk as their metropolis. They are vitally interested in what we are doing and all that concerns our interests.

**LIKE OLD GAMBLING DAYS.**

**"Turkey" Raffling This Week Brings Pioneer Days to Mind.**  
The wheels on which many Norfolk people won their Thanksgiving dinners remind Norfolk pioneers of the old days when gambling houses were in full blast in this city. One Norfolk pioneer declares it brings back old memories of early Norfolk when six gambling houses were running wide open to anyone who cared to try his luck. Seventeen years ago six gambling houses were scattered throughout the city. There may have been others, but these were the public gambling houses. Today Norfolk has seven saloons where seventeen years ago it had that number of gambling houses. A prominent Norfolk business man in relating the old days declares the gambling houses always had 40 percent of the players money, win or lose. "One night many years ago," he says, "myself, the mayor and eight other citizens sat down to a table and played the wheels from 9 p. m. till midnight. Not one of us won anything, and though we had just dropped in to while away a few hours, we all lost about \$50."

The last gambling house faded away about eleven years ago. This place was located in the rear of a Norfolk avenue saloon. The "turkey" raffling this week were gambling games for cash. No fowls were given when players won—they were paid in dollars.

**11 COAL MINERS ENTOMBED.**  
**Explosion is So Violent That All Are Believed to Be Dead.**  
Providence, Ky., Nov. 26.—Eleven coal miners, two white men and nine negroes, were entombed in mine No. 4 of the Providence mining company by a gas explosion and it is believed all are dead. The mine is new, with shaft being only 100 feet deep, with only a few entries. The explosion was so violent that little hope is entertained for the miners' escape from death. Help from the mine rescue station at Linton, Ind., is on the way to the scene. Comrades of the men entombed are digging frantically to reach them. The explosion blew great masses of slate and stone far from the shaft. A mule blown out of the shaft alighted 150 feet away, still alive.

**ENTERING THE MINISTRY.**  
**George Southworth, Giving Up Insurance, is Only 22 Years Old.**  
George S. Southworth, manager of the Midwest Life Insurance company with offices in the Bishop block, who leaves the insurance business next week to study for the ministry under Rev. F. C. Taylor of the Central City Episcopal church, has surprised his friends by giving up his age at 22. "I know I look older, but it is the truth. I am only 22 years old," said Mr. Southworth. The fact that Mr. Southworth looks much older than he really is does not mean that he is an old looking man. He is very broad shouldered and a perfect picture of an athlete. This, says Mr. Southworth, was given him by nature and developed through the medium of the football game, which he has played since he was 10 years old. He is high in his praise over the game and declares it the best game in existence for the young man of today. Mr. Southworth has assisted F. M. Hunter in the coaching of the Norfolk high school football team and was in 1909 captain of the Kenyon (Ohio) college team when that team was the holder of the championship of the state of Ohio. Mr. Southworth has always intended entering the ministry, but through relatives had taken up the insurance business for a side issue only. Mr. Southworth entered the Kenyon military academy when he was 16 years old. He took a popular part in all athletics, but two years after he entered the academy the buildings were destroyed by fire and he immediately entered the Kenyon college, from which four years later he graduated with highest honors. Out of the first class he graduated as the first honor of his class with the degree of bachelor of arts. He was also a prominent member of the Phi Beta Kappa

society of the college. He was captain and played end and tackle on the first team, which held the state championship. After defeating the state of Ohio, Mr. Southworth gave up his place as captain and went up the Maine coast, where he spent the summer with his parents. A year ago in September he came to Norfolk and later succeeded C. L. Williams as manager of the Midwest Life Insurance company. In December he went back to Ohio, where he married Miss Williams and has been living here since, quietly studying for the ministry during his spare moments. In two weeks he will go to Central City, where under the direction of Rev. F. C. Taylor, the rector of the Episcopal church—who for five years was a missionary in Alaska and who is becoming popular in church work—he will have charge of two missions, Silver Creek and Palmer, where he will preach his first sermons. Soon Mr. Southworth will be a candidate for holy orders and in about two years he will without doubt be given a pastorate of some Episcopalian church. "It was always my intention to become a minister," said Mr. Southworth, "and I am glad it is under Mr. Taylor's supervision I will study for this work. I took up the insurance business as a side line in the first place."

He says football teaches morality, self control, self confidence, self respect and everything which tends to build up the manhood of the boy. Rausch Bros. have been appointed to succeed Mr. Southworth as agents for the insurance company.

**BASEBALL TEAMS TO CUBA.**  
**Connie Mack's Team and Detroit Nine to Play Exhibition Games.**  
Philadelphia, Nov. 26.—Nine of the twelve players of the champion Philadelphia American league baseball club left this city this morning for New York to board a steamer for Cuba, where exhibition games will be played. The players will arrive in Havana next Wednesday and will open with games with the Detroit team of the American League. Ten games in Havana will follow with the Almendares and the Havana clubs.

The players who will make up the Philadelphia team are: Catchers, Thomas and Lapp; pitchers, Bender, Coombs and Plank; first baseman, Davis, who will captain the team; second baseman, Derrick; shortstop, Barry; third base, McMinis; left fielder, Hartzell; center fielder, Lord; and right fielder, Murphy.

**THE COMING WEEK DAY BY DAY**  
New York, Nov. 26.—Among the important news events scheduled for the coming week are the following:  
Monday.  
General election will be held in Greece to choose members of a new national assembly, to succeed the one recently dissolved, which will be charged with the revision of the Greek constitution.  
Interstate commerce commission will begin hearings of railroads and shippers to settle differences growing out of the construction of the long and short haul clause of the railroad rate bill.  
Contest for the world's championship in speed typewriting will be held in connection with the National Business show, opening in St. Louis.  
Tuesday.  
Harvard university will celebrate the 393d anniversary of the birth of John Harvard, the Englishman who founded the institution.  
Wednesday.  
Interstate commerce commission will grant a hearing to the Pullman company on the proposed reduction in rates, involving a decrease of about 25 percent in the rates charged for upper berths.  
Thursday.  
World's first international aerial and aviation exhibition, comprising complete exhibits of everything relating to the navigation of the air, opens in Crystal Palace, London, and will extend through December and January.

Atlantic Shore Line railway, extending from Biddeford to York, in Maine, will be knocked down at public auction at Alfred, Me., under a foreclosure of mortgage by the bondholders.  
General Porfirio Diaz and Ramon Corral, as president and vice president, respectively, of the republic of Mexico, will enter upon their new term of office of six years.  
Miss Helen Taft, daughter of President and Mrs. Taft, will be presented to the society of the national capital at a tea to be given at the white house, when scores of notables will pay their respects to the debutante.  
Billiard match for the championship of the world will be commenced by Willie Hoppe and George Slosson in New York.

Red Cross seals will be placed on sale throughout the country, the money realized from the Christmas stamps to be used in fighting tuberculosis.  
Friday.  
Walter Wellman and Melvin Vaniman will begin their lecture tour at Carnegie hall, New York.  
Special session of the Oklahoma legislature will convene to authorize a referendum on the state capital proposition.  
Saturday.  
First public report of the national tariff board will be made at a banquet of the Chicago Association of Commerce.  
Anniversary of Indian War.  
Just twenty years ago today this territory was in a ferment of excitement over the great Indian scare in South Dakota and federal soldiers were being rushed by special trains through Norfolk to quell the alleged disturbances at the Pine Ridge and Rosebud reservation agencies in South Dakota, northwest of Norfolk. It was the last great Indian scare

in this region and the serene peace and quiet that prevails in that field at this time makes it seem today as almost an impossible dream that there ever was really serious apprehension. But there was.

Refugees swarmed into Rushville and Valentine and there was a story one day that a battle had been fought on the Rosebud, and that sixty persons had been killed or wounded. For ten days the newspapers of the country were more given over to the Indian scare than they have been during the past week over the revolt in Mexico. And apparently the two uprisings amounted to about the same thing—largely imagination and rumor.

General Nelson A. Miles, then in command of the army, was busy in Chicago dispatching federal troops to the scene of trouble, and in some circles it was said that the uprising was worked up as a presidential boomlet.

One report declared that the cause of trouble was religious. The Indians' Christ had promised them, the story went, that every Indian who fell in a battle against the white man, would soon rise again when all white people would be engulfed and perish.

**GEORGE RIDDLE DEAD.**  
**Well Known Shakespearean Actor, First Harvard Actor, Dies.**  
Boston, Nov. 26.—George Riddle, one of the most widely known Shakespearean actors in the country, died today of cerebral hemorrhage in a Loyal hospital. He was found unconscious on the street late last night.

Mr. Riddle, whose home is in Cambridge, has been prominent in the theatrical profession for more than a quarter of a century. In 1874 he played in the company with Edwin Booth. Mr. Riddle was graduated from Harvard in the same year that he appeared with Booth and was the first alumnus of that university to take a stage career.

**Students Must Exercise.**  
New Orleans, Nov. 26.—On the ground, it is said that the students of the university have not heeded his appeals to participate in college athletics as they should. President Craighead has announced that hereafter Tulane will enjoy the taste of compulsory athletics. Every freshman and sophomore at the university will be compelled to take a certain amount of exercise prescribed by the faculty. Outdoor work will constitute the greater part of the physical requirements.

**Richard Wilson Dies.**  
New York, Nov. 26.—Richard T. Wilson, who had been seriously ill at his Fifth avenue home for a few days died early this morning.

**Sioux City Hears of Line.**  
Sioux City, Nov. 26.—C. W. Baker of Omaha, who is promoting an electric road to run between the Nebraska metropolis and Sioux City, arrived in Sioux City for an investigation of the situation in this city, and is registered at the West hotel.

The line as far as Fremont, Neb., has been surveyed, Mr. Baker said, and grading will be started next spring. An engineer, who, according to Mr. Baker, will report to European capital upon the situation along the proposed line, accompanied him. Mr. Baker is the president of the Baker Construction company which will construct the line.

"Sioux City was placed on the road's map as an afterthought," Mr. Baker declared. "The original plan was to build a line between Omaha and Fremont. That line was laid out. Then the capitalists back of the project suggested a continuation as far as Sioux City."  
"Accordingly we are now figuring on a line which would leave the Fremont branch at Elk City, ten miles south of Fremont, and run practically directly north to Sioux City. The Fremont line will be continued to Norfolk, Neb., with a branch line to Madison, leaving the main road at a place called Howell. The Sioux City line would run through Craig, and parallel to the river at a distance of about fifteen miles west.

"The project means an expenditure of \$8,000,000. The Sioux City line will not be completed for two years. The Fremont stretch must be finished by January 1, 1912."  
Mr. Baker refused to give the name of the country in which the capitalists who he says are back of the project, live.

**Woodruff's Age Just 43.**  
"You ask me why I changed from romance to comedy," he concluded. "Well, I'll tell you. I have been on the stage for thirty-five years and I switched because there is more money in the comedy. It pays better—\$35,000 a year is not so bad, is it?" he said, smiling. "Last year we made \$47,000 in the 'Prince of Tonight.'"

Here the famous matinee idol gave away his age and the glitter of the light in his dressing room showed that instead of golden locks the actor's hair is grey, but of a very pretty grey. "You see," he said, "I am 43 years old—this without a blush. I find as I grow older there are but two things worth while—health and a big banking account, and I want a big banking account as I grow older."

Mr. Woodruff laughed at this bit of humor and admitted he knew he did not show his age. The secret of this, however, he did not reveal. "I don't make a hit with my singing. In fact I can't sing at all. I have two singing parts tonight, but they are not supposed to be singing parts. I don't have to sing."

Here Mr. Woodruff picked up his watch and handed it to The News man to examine. "Here, don't drop it, man!" he exclaimed. "The News man fumbled it carelessly. It's worth a thousand dollars," explained Mr. Woodruff. "It was presented to me in Paris."

The beat home for you in this city is going to be found and rented soon by an ad-swearer. Are you an ad-swearer?

"Would you mind telling me by whom?" inquired his interviewer. "Well, now," laughed Mr. Woodruff, "it was given to me by a lady in France for a dinner favor, but I'm not going to tell you who she is."

The watch is as thin as a half dollar piece and, according to its owner, it is the thinnest watch in the world. It was made by Cartier in Paris.

**Likes Norfolk; Coming Again.**  
"I took a walk around your city today," said Mr. Woodruff, "and it is a very nice place. I have been sick all day—contracted a cold on the way down here and have been feeling bad. I have been sleeping all afternoon and am somewhat better now. I expect to be back in Norfolk next year."

Mr. Woodruff employs a Japanese valet, who takes care of the actor and sees to his dressing and packing.

The show left for Sioux City Saturday morning, where they play two days, both days at matinee and night entertainments.

**Is Henry Tattooed?**  
At the Oxnard hotel Henry Woodruff was a mystery. To a News representative an employe of the hotel confided that Woodruff was an ex-actor. "He is tattooed all over his body," said the employe. "Didn't I see a big Chinese dragon tattooed all over his right arm a minute ago? He has not got one of those big voices as you hear from actors usually, but I bet he is the dope all right, all right."

**MACHINISTS MAY WITHDRAW.**  
**Last Session of Labor Convention of Importance to Them.**  
St. Louis, Nov. 26.—The last session of the American Federation of Labor's annual convention began three hours before the regular meeting time today as the delegates wanted to complete their work before the time set for adjournment.

The big question before the convention was the application of the Western Federation of Miners for a charter. The granting of it now rests in the hands of President Gompers, whose decision on a point of law will grant or refuse the charter. The machinists have announced that if the western miners are admitted with jurisdiction over the machinists they will withdraw from the American federation.

**SEARS KILLED THE COUPLE.**  
Trenton, N. J., Nov. 26.—Rachel Sears, a negroess, mother of John Sears, who is in jail charged with the murder of Rev. Amzie Armstrong and his wife at Dutch Neck, said, according to Prosecutor Crosby, that she heard shooting while she was upstairs and went down stairs and saw the bodies of Dr. Armstrong and his wife lying on the floor and her son standing in the kitchen with a gun. She delayed announcing the deed. Prosecutor Crosby does not deny that Sears has made a confession but will not divulge the information he got until the time for the trial.

**No Free Trade for France.**  
Paris, Nov. 26.—The cabinet today decided against a temporary abolition of the import duties on foreign wheat and other cereals, which had been proposed because of the shortage of the French crops.

**Battle Creek News.**  
Battle Creek, Neb., Nov. 26.—Special to The News: Thanksgiving was observed at the Lutheran church in the forenoon, when Rev. J. Hoffman delivered an elaborate sermon. Next Sunday Rev. Mr. Hoffman will be in Atinsworth, where he has to install a new minister at the German Lutheran church near that place, and consequently there will be no meeting here in the forenoon, but in the afternoon at 2 o'clock Rev. George Bloedel of Battle Creek Heights will preach in the city church.

Carl Wendt, William Wendt and Al Beer were over to Lindsay Sunday by auto. On their way home they had a breakdown in town on Depot street at 7 o'clock in the evening. The machine was repaired in Stricker's shop. Herman Jost, a Battle Creek boy, arrived here Saturday from Aeron, Colo., for an extended visit with his father, John Jost, and other relatives. Mr. Jost and others of this vicinity have taken homesteads in that country, but dry weather and frost were against them this year.

Deputy Sheriff J. M. Smith drove over from Madison Monday on private business. He was accompanied by his daughter, Miss Meba, who took the train from here to Tilden, where she will visit at the home of her uncle, C. A. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wetzel were here Tuesday from Madison visiting friends.

**ARMY AND NAVY TODAY.**  
**Taft Can't See This Game, He's at Work on Message.**  
Philadelphia, Nov. 26.—The black and gold and gray of the army and the blue and gold of the navy glitter all over the central part of Philadelphia today in honor of the football teams from the West Point and Annapolis academies, which will meet on Franklin field this afternoon after a lapse of two years. The weather is perfect.

Washington, Nov. 26.—Important engagements and work on his annual message will prevent President Taft from seeing the army-navy football teams at Philadelphia today, but Mrs. Taft and Miss Helen Taft, as well as a host of army and navy officers and their friends will make up the national capital's delegation to the contest. Vice President Sherman and a number of senators and representatives will be among those at Franklin field.

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