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Commenting on the speeding up of the Metropolitan underground railways and tubes, the London correspondent of a northern journal states that so great is the rush that passengers forget their belongings...

So gallantly disposed is the Austrian government toward its fairer subjects that postal authorities have decided to devote special parcel delivery vans to the transportation of the large hats which are the fashion of the season...

This year's vintage in Italy is expected to be very bad. In fact it has been estimated that the 11,000,000 acres of vineyards throughout the country will not yield more than 103,233,214 tons of grapes...

The cultivation of tobacco in Italy has been gradually but steadily increasing. During the year 1909 the plants numbered 139,755, which is the largest number ever reached...

To make a fortune of \$250,000 as a jockey is a feat which places the late Tom Loates at the pinnacle of his profession so far as mere worldly wealth is concerned...

Few people know that the cocoanuts of the Malay archipelago are sometimes produced in quantities that are highly prized by the natives. The stones are not unlike the pearls of the mollusks and are similar in composition to the oyster pearls...

Consul General James A. Smith writes from Genoa that the Italian ministry of the interior has recently directed a circular to the prefects of the several provinces instructing them to report on the spread of alcoholism in their respective districts...

Paper clothes were worn by the Japanese troops, who found them very serviceable and much warmer than those of cloth. Paper dressing gowns, bath robes and similar articles of attire are now being turned out by the cartload in England, France, Germany and other European countries...

Smiles irradiated the floorwalker's face. Business had been poor, but he was picking up for that day. How did he know? Women were shopping in pairs and trios. Their purchases were much more, he said, when they come in bunches...

An English manufacturer has succeeded in making a fabric from old ropes. He obtained a quantity of old rope and cordage, cut it into strips and wove it by a secret process into a kind of cloth. The resultant material he dyed a dark brown...

The Russians are manufacturing a fabric from the fiber of a filamentous stone from the Siberian mines which is said to be so durable a material that it is practically indestructible, says Tit-Bits. The material is soft to the touch and pliable in the extreme...

The city of Hartford, Conn., will begin this fall a systematic planting of trees on its public thoroughfares. The matter will be in charge of the city forester, who will first select the streets to find out where trees are most needed. A city nursery will be opened later.

The returns for last year, under the workmen's compensation act in England, show that compensation was paid in 3,341 cases of death and 332,612 cases of disablement. The average death payment was \$770, and in case of disablement \$26.50.

Within the last 10 years the Methodist church in the Philippines has grown to a membership of 30,000, and 500 Filipinos are preaching. Plans have been completed for the establishment of great preserves in Africa where the elephant may be free from the attacks of the hunters...

A machine designed to prevent the alteration of checks or the forging of signatures to negotiable paper has been patented by a convict in a California prison. There are nearly 27,000 reindeer in Alaska, the descendants of about 25 which were imported here 25 years ago.

AERONAUT IS KILLED AT BIG DENVER MEET

Ralph Johnstone Is Crushed to Death Beneath His Machine In Sight of Crowd.

Denver, Nov. 21.—With one wing tip of his machine crumpled like a piece of paper, Ralph Johnstone, the brilliant young aviator, holder of the world's altitude record, dropped like a plummet from a height of 500 feet into the inclosure at Overland park aviation field yesterday afternoon and was instantly killed.

When the spectators crowded about the inclosure reached him his body lay beneath the engine of the biplane with the white planes that had fallen him in his time of need wrapped about it like a shroud. Nearly every bone in his body was broken.

Gamble With Death. He had gambled with death once too often, but he played the game to the end, fighting coolly and grimly to the last second to regain control of his broken machine. Fresh from his triumph at Belmont park, where he had broken the world's record for altitude with a flight of 9,714 feet, Johnstone attempted to give the thousands of spectators an extra thrill with his most daring feat, the spiral glide, which has made the Wright aviators famous.

As he started the second circle the propeller struck the left side of the lower plane gave way and the wing tips of both upper and lower planes folded up as though they had been hinged. For a second Johnstone attempted to right the plane by warping the other wing tip. Then the horrible like a wounded bird and plunge straight toward the earth.

Home in Kansas City. Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 18.—When Ralph Johnstone, who was killed in an aeroplane accident in Denver last night started to leave the home of W. M. Federmann, his uncle, last Sunday on his way to the Denver aviation meet, Federmann said: "I suppose I'll receive a telegram one of these days to come after your remains."

Johnstone was a trick cyclist before he became an aviator. He traveled by bicycle about giving exhibitions on his bicycle. He met in Berlin the girl who later became his wife. Six months ago Johnstone, through Roy Knabenshue, secured an engagement with the Wright brothers. They like his work and a few weeks ago he signed a contract extending until January 5, 1912.

Johnstone had the greatest confidence in his ability to keep the world's record for altitude. He said while here that if anyone broke the world's record which he held at the time of his death, he would go even higher.

AMERICAN SAILORS ENGAGE IN A RIOT Two Hundred of Them Are Unceremoniously Ejected From a French Cafe.

Cherbourg, Nov. 21.—Two hundred allied disorderly bluejackets from the American visiting fleet were expelled from a cafe here today. They stoned the building and the gendarmes who interfered.

H. Weidlich, sailor from the Louisiana, fell into the harbor today and was drowned. His body was recovered.

Brest, France, Nov. 21.—A group of bluejackets from the American fleet landed about 100 on the water front today. The flames spread until they threatened to communicate with nearby barrels of nitrate and alcohol. The police saw the danger and extinguished the flames.

London, Nov. 21.—The pilgrims' society gave a luncheon today in honor of the officers of the Third division of the American fleet, now at Gravesend. Vice Admiral Sir Edward Lambton presided and had Rear Admiral Joseph B. Murdock, commander of the visiting battleships, at his right. Both admirals made speeches.

Others of the hosts were Admiral Sir Edmund S. Seymour, Vice Admiral Richard C. Kinahan, Rear Admiral F. C. D. Sturdee, Sir Francis S. Powell, Lord Ellenborough, Lieutenant General Sir Robert S. Baden-Powell, Lieutenant General Heley-Hutchinson, General Sir Andrew Wilson, M. Sinclair, Sir Henry Mortimer Dand, formerly British ambassador at Washington; Sir Hiram S. Maxim, Sir Percy Sanderson, former British consul general at New York; Sir George Reid and the Earl of Cadwiler.

TWO ACCIDENTS AT THE NEW YORK HORSE SHOW

New York, Nov. 21.—While heavy-weight hunter hunters were being shown at the horse show today, Jared Hamilton, a groom, had a bad fall when his mount, No. 10, stumbled, but he was soon able to walk out of the ring, unassisted.

The second accident, more serious than the first, occurred during the class for middleweight hunters. Thomas Tipper, a groom employed by E. H. Weatherbee, was tossed to the ground when Mr. Weatherbee's grey gelding, David Gray, crashed into a fence and knocked it down. Tipper fell on his face, and was badly cut over the right eye and cheek.

ALLEGED SLAYER SULLEN IN PRISON

John Sears Under Arrest on the Charge of Murdering Aged Preacher and Wife.

Trenton, N. J., Nov. 28.—John Sears, who was arrested last night on the charge of having murdered Rev. Amzi L. Armstrong and his wife in Dutch Neck, Wednesday night, is said to have made a confession.

It is understood that Sears believed some provision had been made for him in the ministers' will and that he was impatient to get the bequest. While Mr. Crossley would not affirm or deny that a confession had been made, he said that the state's case was perfect, and that Sears would be tried for murder in the first degree regardless of any confession.

Trenton, N. J., Nov. 28.—A coroner's jury today viewed the bodies of Rev. Amzi L. Armstrong and his wife, who were murdered at their home at Dutch Neck Wednesday night. The jury also made a thorough inspection of the house in which the aged couple were killed. The coroner fixed December 9 as the day for taking the testimony.

John Sears, son of the housekeeper employed by the Armstrongs, who lived with his mother at the Armstrong homestead, slept last night in the county jail where he was taken, charged with the murder. Sears is of a surly temperament and does not have much to say. He is a half-breed negro, and has lived with his mother at the Armstrong home since he was an infant.

Prosecutor Crossley was not prepared today to say what action he would finally take regarding Mrs. Sears, the housekeeper, who is under suspicion of two constables at Dutch Neck. Mr. Crossley refuses to discuss the motive for the crime, nor will he talk about the jury's verdict. He declined to say whether a will had been found in the Armstrong home showing Mrs. Sears had been named as one of the beneficiaries in the Armstrong estate.

An autopsy held by Coroner's Physician Searnell at the Armstrong home disclosed the fact that the aged couple had been killed with a shot gun. After the murder a shot gun which Sears had borrowed from a neighbor, saying that he was going hunting, was found in the kitchen at the Armstrong home. Prosecutor Crossley, it is understood, feels fully able to upset any alibi which Sears seeks to establish. Sears says he went to New Brunswick about 7:30 o'clock Wednesday night, but it is claimed that he was seen around Dutch Neck two hours later.

CARROLL ISSUES PAPERS FOR RETURN OF C. KERR

Des Moines, Ia., Nov. 23.—Governor Carroll has issued requisition papers for the return to Yankton of Charles Kerr, arrested in Sioux City for embezzlement. Attorney Dan Sullivan, for Kerr, waived hearing.

Kerr, who was the manager of an elevator in a small town near Yankton, Ia., is alleged to have embezzled \$1,000. He had been living in Sioux City for several months at the time of his arrest. He did not take his arrest seriously and said he could straighten everything up satisfactorily. He says it is split up the part of several farmers and gives out the impression that they dabbled on the board of trade and lost. He said he was checked out by the company last spring and that everything was all right at that time.

JIM HILL PERCEIVES REBUKE TO AGITATOR

Railroad Man, After a Conference With Taft, Gives Some Political Views.

Washington, Nov. 28.—James J. Hill talked with President Taft today. He recently has been reported as gloomy over the business prospect, but would not discuss the subject today. He did have something to say, however, on politics.

"The last election has taught the politicians and the country something valuable," said Mr. Hill. "That is, that party lines no longer exist to an important extent, and that men are thinking, voting and acting along independent lines. The demagogue and the agitator have held sway so long it is really a relief to see the flag of warning that has been hoisted for their benefit."

"I do not mean to say, either, that independence of political thought is confined to business or professional men. It extends to laboring men and all other classes of the population."

EMBEZZLEMENT CHARGE AGAINST IOWA MAN

Oskaloosa, Ia., Nov. 28.—W. E. Gibson, of Des Moines, Ia., is held in the Oskaloosa jail, charged with embezzling of G. P. McMein, of Des Moines several thousands of dollars. He sold adding machines and appropriated the money for his personal use.

DEAF MAN KILLED BY FREIGHT TRAIN

Oskaloosa, Ia., Nov. 28.—Benjamin Bates, aged 82, was killed this morning three miles north of What Cheer by a C. & N. W. freight train. He was slightly deaf and did not hear the approaching train. He was a wealthy and prominent farmer and sheep raiser.

LEGISLATURE MAY CHANGE BALLOT FOR NEBRASKA VOTERS

Efforts Will Be Made to Do Away With All Provisions for Straight Ticket.

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 24.—When the next legislature meets it will undoubtedly be asked to pass a bill to reform the present form of ballots used in voting in Nebraska. Just what kind of measure will be asked for has not yet been decided, but there seems to be a popular demand all over the state for the Massachusetts ballot.

The plan used in the New England state would cause three changes in the ballot now used in this state. The little square now placed at the left of the candidate's name would be placed to the right, so that the voters would be casting his ballot for the office rather than the man. The second change would do away with the circle at the head of each political party. This would cause voters to go through the entire ticket whether or not they voted a straight or mixed ticket.

That such a measure as above outlined be introduced in the next legislature is almost a certainty. Politicians of both parties seem to be in favor of it, and if the measure is presented it will likely find but little opposition.

ASCROFT IS FINED FOR KILLING COMPANION

Pierce, Neb., Nov. 24.—After having been out for 24 hours, the jury in the case against Ross Ascroft, charged with murdering Harry Kopp, a Yankee Robinson circus employe, returned a verdict of "assault and battery," compelling the defendant to pay a \$100 fine and to pay all costs of the prosecution, amounting to between \$1,600 and \$2,000, or go to jail in payment at the rate of \$3.33 a day. The time he has been in jail already was allowed to apply.

CONGRESSMAN NORRIS TO ADDRESS TEACHERS

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 24.—It was announced last night that Congressman George Norris will be one of the principal speakers at the annual convention of the state teachers' association which convenes in Lincoln next Thursday. Norris fills a vacancy in the program caused by the illness of Senator Lounsbury, of Oregon. He has announced that his subject will be "The Story of Insurgency."

WAR TO EXTERMINATE THE BOLL WEEVIL IS STARTED

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 24.—War on the boll weevil has begun in this city, when the anti-boll weevil conference was called to order at the Auditorium armory. Governor Joseph M. Brown and Mayor Robert F. Maddox, delivered the addresses of welcome to delegates from all the southern states. Dr. Knapp of the United States Department of Agriculture, is in the city today, held a conference with the agricultural committee of the Chamber of Commerce.

PACKERS ANNOUNCE CUT IN MEAT PRICE

Dressed Beef, Mutton and Pork Are Affected by Reductions Made Today.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 24.—Packers today announced general reductions in the wholesale cost of dressed beef, mutton and pork. Even the modest spare-ribs, which had been regarded as immune to downward revisions, came in for a reduction of one cent a pound. Pork loins and tenderloins were accorded the same treatment, and a slice of three-quarters of a cent was taken off the price of fresh Boston butts.

Dressed beef loins were lowered one-half to one cent a pound and the No. 2 cut was quoted at 17 cents, as contrasted to 18 cents Saturday. Beef ribs were reduced to 12 cents for the No. 1 cut and to 11½ cents for the No. 2 cuts, which compared to 13 cents and 12 cents respectively, at the close of last week. No. 1 beef rounds also suffered a loss of one-half cent a pound.

The sharpest reduction of the entire list was made on mutton loins, which were lowered two cents a pound to 8½ cents. To offset this sharp cut, however, packers retained mutton steak at the old price of 6¼ cents, although they lowered mutton legs one-half cent and took one cent a pound off the price of mutton rack.

No reduction has been made in Sioux City in the price of medium and common beef and local packers say it is due to the present high price of beef which sold 15 cents higher here yesterday than last week. The fresh pork market is lower and has been going down for several days.

THOUSANDS LOSE LIVES. FORMER SLAVE ENDOWS A HOME FOR CONSUMPTIVES

Colorado Springs, Colo., Nov. 24.—James K. Polk Taylor, a former slave, 71 years old, and his wife, it was announced today, have given 480 acres of land at Calhan, 40 miles east of Colorado Springs, to the Charles Sumner Tuberculosis association as a site for a national tuberculosis sanatorium for colored people. It is understood \$200,000 will be spent in the sanatorium.

NEBRASKA OFFICER GETS BOND AT HOME

State Treasurer Is Free to Select His Assistants Without Dictation.

Broken Bow, Neb., Nov. 23.—State Treasurer-elect W. A. George has returned from Lincoln and Omaha, where he has been arranging about the \$1,000,000 bond it will be necessary for him to furnish. "I believe in patronizing home industries," said Mr. George, "and accordingly selected one of the two institutions in the state capable of handling that amount. While away I was besieged by applicants for various positions, but as I bound myself by no promises during the campaign I am free to make my own appointments. I have not as yet decided on the deputy out of the many applicants, and although I hope to please the people in my selection, I shall please myself first, because I know and like, so we may work together harmoniously. It is quite possible I shall appoint the deputy treasurer before leaving."

OMAHA INDIANS MUST BEGIN TO PAY TAXES

Pender, Neb., Nov. 23.—At a meeting of the Omaha Indians at Macy the members of the tribe were informed that under the provisions of the Brown law they will have to pay taxes hereafter. Every Indian but one, Chief White Horse, vigorously opposed payment, but they would have to commence emulating their white brethren in their duties as citizens.

WALTHILL ASPIRES TO BECOME COUNTY SEAT

Pender, Neb., Nov. 23.—Reports from Walthill indicate that town will make a fight for the county seat of Thurston county in the immediate future. It will require a petition signed by 1,146 names to call a special election, and in order to remove the county capital it will require a three-fifths vote, which would be 1,080 votes, according to the vote cast at the recent election.

POULTRY SHOW AT PENDER. PENDER MAN PAROLED.

Pender, Neb., Nov. 23.—The Northwestern Nebraska Poultry and Corn Show will meet at Pender, December 15 to 17. About 300 birds are promised for exhibition purposes. Pender Man Paroled. Pender, Neb., Nov. 23.—Win Becken, who was sent to the penitentiary a year ago for robbing S. G. Graves, was paroled Saturday by Governor Shallenberger.

THURSTON PIONEER DEAD. BURIAL IN WASHINGTON.

Pender, Neb., Nov. 23.—John W. Munn, a pioneer of Thurston county and a storekeeper at the Wingeago agency, died last week at his home of fever.

SUFFRAGETS CHOOSE PRISON FOR THEIRS

They Are Given the Alternative of Fine or Jail and All Take Jail.

London, Nov. 26.—All the suffragets who were charged with assault and the wilful damage of property as a result of their rioting of the last few days were found guilty in the Bow Street police court today, and sentenced to a fine of \$10 or \$25 or to spend two weeks or a month in jail, according to the seriousness of their offense. All of the prisoners elected to go to jail.

London, Nov. 26.—Therioting of the suffragets yesterday, which began with an assault on Premier Asquith, continued throughout the night. Driven from one district so many of the women as escaped would gather at another point and renew the battle. Advancing under cover of the fog at 2:30 o'clock this morning, a militant band circumented the police and stormed the Asquith residence in Downing street. They hurled stones and metal weights at the house, breaking the glass in all of the lower windows. Earlier in the night the women smashed the windows in the homes of Sir Edward Grey, the foreign secretary; Lewis Harcourt, secretary of state for the colonies, and Winston Spencer Churchill, the home secretary.

One Victim Badly Injured. Augustine Birrell, the veteran chief secretary for Ireland, was the victim of the most vicious and serious assault. As the result of injuries from blows and kicks the aged statesman is now confined to his bed and under the care of physicians. He has been compelled to cancel all immediate private and official engagements.

Mr. Birrell was making his way on foot through St. James park to the Athenaeum club, when he was assailed by the women and soundly beaten. Policemen rescued him and helped him to a motor car in which he was taken home.

One hundred and fifty-six women and two men, who took part in yesterday's riot, were arraigned in the Bow Street police court today. At the direction of Home Secretary Churchill those charged merely with obstruction were discharged. The others, against whom complaints of assault and wilful damage of property have been made, were returned to jail to be held for sentence later.

Most of the women prisoners appeared in court carrying bags containing a change of clothes, hopeful of the glory of martyrdom in jail. Some brought their knitting and, plying their needles busily during the proceedings, greatly amused the spectators. Among those held for punishment was Mrs. Haverfield, daughter of Lord Amherst, who, according to the money introduced, had promised to bring a revolver with her on the occasion of the next suffrage demonstration.

News Brevities

LEAVENWORTH, KAN.—A few minutes after he had been relieved as agent of the Chicago & Great Western railroad here yesterday, J. O. Butz committed suicide by drinking carbolic acid. Railroad officials state that an examination of Butz accounts show them to be correct. A month ago he voluntarily resigned in jail. Some brought their knitting and, plying their needles busily during the proceedings, greatly amused the spectators.

CLEVELAND, OHIO.—Charles A. Sandals and Albert S. Griffin, conductors of the firm name of Sandals, Griffin & Co., were arrested by postoffice inspectors yesterday afternoon charged with using the mails to defraud. The two men have been engaged in selling stock in the Sterling Oil company, capitalized at \$5,000,000, and supposed to own large oil fields in Oklahoma. This stock, sold principally to farmers in northern Ohio, was represented, it is charged, as an investment which would return 50 per cent.

WASHINGTON.—President Taft returned to Washington last night after having stopped a day at Richmond, Va., on his way from the isthmus of Panama. The president announced soon after his arrival that he would make no engagements in the next five days. In that time he hopes to have his message to congress completed. Only cabinet officers and others with whom the president desires to consult regarding his message will be formally received at the White House. The document will be ready either the night of the 28th or early on the 29th.

TAMPA, FLA.—Jose de la Campa, Britt Russell and J. E. Bartium, leading members of the joint advisory board of the cigar workers of Tampa, were found guilty last night of conspiring to prevent cigar workers from returning to work and of intimidating cigar workers in defiance of law and order. The three leaders were tried on a specific charge of intimidating and preventing by force two wrapper selectors from returning to work. The defense moved for a new trial. The motion will be argued Monday.

SAN FRANCISCO.—The district court of appeals of the First district sustained yesterday the conviction of Abraham Ruef, former political boss of this city, charged with having bribed supervisors, and denied him a new trial. The decision is contained in 45 pages written by presiding Judge Cooper and affirms the lower court on all points. Ruef had been sentenced to 14 years' imprisonment and was at liberty on bail. Ruef's attorneys will appeal 40 days in which to prepare an appeal to the state supreme court.

SALEM, ORE.—Articles of incorporation of the newly formed Washington-Oregon Railroad and Navigation company were filed here yesterday afternoon. The articles apply for a corporation with a capitalization of \$50,000,000 controlled by the Union Pacific. The new corporation is authorized to absorb all present and prospective lines of the Oregon Railroad and Navigation company, the Oregon and Washington railroad company, the North Coast Railroad company, and also many smaller lines in the Pacific northwest.

IOWA COUPLE WED. HUDSON S. D., NOV. 26.—Miss Margaret Sismann and Otto Coyer were married at the home of the bride's parents, in Sioux township, Sioux county, Iowa, last week, Wednesday. Rev. Travis, of Rock Valley, officiating. Both bride and groom grew up in this vicinity and are popular young people. They went right to housekeeping on one of the farms owned by the groom's father in Sioux township.

The per capita of money in the country is larger than in any other, save one, France, and amounts to \$35 for each of our 8,600,000 people.