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The department of the Vonne, invested by voters, offered 20 cents a head as a bounty. Two enterprising farmers turned their land into snags, and had sold 48,000 heads to the government when their envious neighbors gave the game away, relates the Scientific American. A sentence of two years "for obtaining money on false pretenses" was reduced to 18 months, since it had to be admitted that the men had kept the letter of the agreement.

Garrett Biblical Institute, Northwestern university, in co-operation with the Methodist board of home missions is instructing church pastors in rural church administration, methods and educational value of play, rural sociology, tenantry and farm organizations, and lectures on the teaching of the Bible and its message, life in the holy lands, community building, and the Sunday school. Ministers attend this summer session, hear theological experts, and at the same time enjoy a vacation at the small cost of \$1.25 a day for meals and \$3 a week for lodging.

Week-end holidays, the custom in England, will become law in Germany. With compulsory invalid, sick and accident insurance largely borne by employers already in force, and with liberal municipal and state support for the unemployed of whom there are at present but few, the forthcoming legalization of week-end holidays as provided in the labor law, is another move in the direction of making Germany a paradise for the working man. Many industries now have a 48-hour week or less, while shop councils determine who may or who may not be discharged.

The average annual pay of rural postmen using motor vehicles is \$2,570, as compared with \$1,870 for those using horse drawn vehicles, says the latest report of the postmaster general.

With a stick to which was attached adhesive tape, a man tried to loot the "poor box" at St. Paul's church, New York. When discovered he fled, but ran into the arms of two policemen.

Some 1,800 Yakima Indians have received the freedom of their reservation in Washington state, for 10 more years, without acceptance of any duties or privileges of American citizenship.

Bobbed hair and abbreviated skirts are going out together, according to the president of the hair net association of America. "The arrival of the long skirt may have brought no joy to the hosiery manufacturers," said he, "but it's coming in a boom to the hair net industry. The incongruity of long skirts and bobbed hair is so apparent that women have promptly resorted to the hair net in order to escape a ludicrous effect."

The Jack Pickfords are spending a bathing suit honeymoon splashing in the ornate swimming pool at the Douglas Fairbanks estate. They cancelled their honeymoon motor tour because "Ma" Pickford was anxious for Jack to finish a production in which he had been starred. An expensive cast is loading when he does not work.

Two million club women throughout the United States have pledged themselves to boost the morale of former service men. Each of the 40,000 women's clubs will be urged to check up on former soldiers in their respective districts, give relief, and find jobs for the needy.

One of the artists who has just appeared at the Queen's hall, the goal of all English singers, is Miss Alice Warwick, who sang in the streets. One day a famous conductor heard her singing, and at once recognized the perfect quality of her voice. He took her to his study and trained her thoroughly.

The smallest piece of privately owned real estate in New York was brought to attention when workmen completed laying yellow and black blocks in a space 24x36 inches at Varick and Christopher streets, forming letters to read, "Property of the Heest estate, which has never been dedicated for public purposes."

More than 2,000,000 persons are voluntarily idle through strikes, and since July 1 about 100,000,000 hours of work have been lost each week according to a review of industrial conditions made by the national industrial conference board, an employers' organization. The wage loss, at the rate of 50 cents an hour, is \$8,000,000 a day.

A proposal to raise a campaign fund for oriental exclusion in Canada will be laid before the merchants of British Columbia when they meet in convention in Victoria. Among other things the laundrymen will ask the merchants to endorse a resolution that the oriental laundries be forced to operate under stringent regulations governing white laundries.

Bolsheviks are teaching a new religion, according to a Moscow dispatch to the Philadelphia Public Ledger, stating that a revolutionary university had been opened with 250 students. Besides the new Zion, the bolsheviks teach the history of revolution, history of materialism, and economics of the Russian soviet republic. No details of the religion are given.

Juarez, Mexico had what is said to be the most unusual "mob" in its history when more than 100 small children voluntarily banded themselves together and turned the city hall asking for the city schools to be closed. The children had tried to go to school but had found all doors closed, the teachers being out on strike. For two months there had been little money in the city treasury so the teachers, in dire need, decided to quit teaching as a means to force city officials to pay and re-employ them.

The French Princess Pauline-Lucigne has been sentenced by a Dresden court to pay a fine of \$10 or serve nine days in jail. The princess became highly indignant when, crossing the border near Dresden, a German customs official pawed over the beautiful lingerie in her baggage. She exploded with a temperamental "You are a booby." The Dresden court holds that this was an insult to an official of the German republic and has invited the princess to come from Paris to serve the jail sentence or send a check for the amount of the fine.

Foremost medical authorities predict that in a few years the ancient custom of shaking hands will have gone the way of the roller towel, the family tooth brush and the insidious drinking cup. It is generally conceded by present physicians that hand shaking is not only a carrier of disease germs, but is extremely harmful to the nervous system.

Flo Ziegfeld, who spent a lot of money cabling his wife, Billie Burke, that if Marilyn Miller said things about him they were not so, has started from Paris for New York with 18 new hats for Billie.

Governor General Wood urges the necessity of employing more American teachers in the Philippine islands to instruct native teachers in English, and believes there should be 1,500 instead of 400 as at present.

A New Jersey woman is seeking separation from her husband, a heavy-weight blacksmith. She claims he used her "like an anvil," but he insists he's so timid that he slept in the stable when she told him to get out.

SCOUTMASTER HAD TOO MANY WIVES

Jailed for Getting Money Wrongfully His Other Criminal Acts Gradually Come to Light.

Alliance, Neb., Aug. 12 (Special).—Ben W. Keach, former scoutmaster, in jail here for getting money under false pretences, is a much-married man, according to letters pouring into the office of Lee Basye, county attorney. The latest wife to appear is a woman at Charleston, S. C., who claims he married her January 31, 1915 and left her July 6, 1920. He was never divorced from her, it appears. They have two children. The woman declares the Charleston woman declares Keach also married the daughter of a Mr. Shrek, at Beatrice, Neb. That this Mrs. Keach lives at Beatrice but believes she was divorced from Keach.

Keach is said to have four children, a 13-year-old daughter by the Beatrice woman; two by the Charleston woman and a baby of less than a year by his present wife. The present Mrs. Keach, who married him in South Dakota has been informed of only one of his previous marriages. She is trying to secure his release from jail and says she will remain true to him if he will get a divorce from his "former" wife.

EXPLOSION IN FILM VAULT CAUSES FIRE

Omaha, Neb., Aug. 12 (Special).—Fire, which for a day threatened to destroy the entire block between Twentieth and Twenty-first streets on the north side of Farnam street Friday, caused damage estimated at more than \$125,000. The fire resulted from an explosion of films in the vaults of a film exchange in the Marblestone building at 2036 Farnam street. Flames shot hundreds of feet into the air and the explosion shook buildings in the neighborhood.

Losses sustained by the First National and Educational Film exchanges were estimated at \$100,000.

ABANDONED BABE HAS NOT BEEN IDENTIFIED

Arnold, Neb., Aug. 12 (Special).—A three-week-old baby boy left on the step of the local hotel has not been identified. It was after a storm and the trail was immediately taken and followed to a point south of the Table store where the rain had stopped and the track was lost. The baby is healthy, weighs seven pounds, and had a full outfit of clothing. Some prepared food had been left with it.

Prohibition. From New Orleans Times-Picayune. A Mississippi says it is getting so dry in his town he has to grease his lips with bacon rind every time he whistles for his dog.

Zeppelin Next. From the Omaha Bee. As has been remarked on sundry other occasions, it's a queer world. Only the other day Americans, Englishmen and other allied nationalities were vowing that never so long as the world lasted would they renew their old relationship with the Germans.

From London is announced the establishment on an airplane line that will carry passengers from London to Berlin in seven hours. Can any better example of two late fates rushing into each other's arms be found?

Governor Kendall's Speech. From the Des Moines Tribune. Of the few reminders of the convention of the old days, the only one worth while, was Governor Kendall's little speech. That was in the spirit of the days of Dolliver and Henderson, Hepburn, Cousins and others. The applause was spontaneous and real, and one could almost imagine himself back in one of the old conventions where real orators stirred real emotions.

Governor Kendall was at his best and nobody is better than Governor Kendall when he is at his best in a convention speech.

The illusion of the old days was on the convention while his speech lasted, but it was speedily enough dispelled when Senator Trewin got up to read the platform in a voice that Senator "Jim" Reed of Missouri might envy in his most sarcastic moments, and with appropriate gestures and wags of the head brought out the real meaning of the various omissions of Brookhart, and the various commitments of Brookhart.

If anybody had the slightest feeling that before after all the old convention days were best, Senator Trewin dispelled them when he first breath. The machinations of the old convention were before the delegates stark and naked as Senator Trewin proceeded.

But for Governor Kendall there would not have been a bright spot nor a redeeming feature in the whole proceeding. Governor Kendall did recall old memories of real occasions when constructive men battled openly for control of the politics of the state.

It is often said that oratory is dead. We sometimes wonder if oratory is not the one supreme art of life, if the orator after all does not more to inspire and direct human movements than anybody else.

In any event, let everybody who paid his fare to Des Moines be thankful that he had one bright glimpse of what the old conventions used to be at their best, of what this might have been if so many of the troglodytes of Iowa politics had not come back to life again.

DOCTOR HELD ON CHARGE OF MANSLAUGHTER

Omaha, Neb., Aug. 12.—Dr. M. A. Carraker, more than 30 years a practicing physician at Nebraska City was held on a charge of manslaughter in connection with the recent death of Mrs. Reba Dewey of that city, while the woman's husband, Donald Dewey, is held responsible with Carraker by a coroner's jury which handed down a verdict that her demise was due to an illegal operation, says a special dispatch received here from Nebraska City.

POTATO GROWERS ARE HOLDING OFF

Assert Present Prices Do Not Warrant Digging—Yields Reported Unusually Large.

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 10 (Special).—Secretary Stubb of the agricultural department, back from a trip to the potato growing section of the state, reports that in the Kearney district none of the tubers are being dug because the market is now flooded, and prices are down from \$1.50 a hundred last year to 80 and 85 cents at the present time. The growers claim there is no money in digging and shipping at those prices, and they will hold off in the hope that growers elsewhere will follow their example. The yields there are unusually large, where digging has been done.

TO FIGHT RELEASE OF FORMER OMAHA BANKER

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 10 (Special).—Attorney General Davis intends to make W. V. Mathews, Omaha banker, now in prison as a result of his own plea of guilt, jump all the legal hurdles possible before he can get out on bond. After Mathews had served six months some attorney told him the legislature had blundered when it amended the embezzlement statute, with the result that it virtually released from punishment all who had violated the original law.

Mr. Davis makes the point that Mathews, having pleaded guilty, can not raise his defense on appeal because he did not raise it in the court below. He says that his only chance of getting into court is by the habeas corpus route, attacking his imprisonment as unlawful because under a void law. Mr. Davis says that there isn't very much to the point raised. He says the statutes contain a general saving clause statute, to the effect that when a statute is amended or repealed all rights and remedies shall remain as they existed under the old law.

TWO BLOOMFIELD MEN MAKE MOTORCYCLE TRIP

Bloomfield, Neb., Aug. 10 (Special).—L. W. McCourt and Albert Manke, Jr., have started on a motorcycle trip to New York, their intention being to make short sightseeing stops along the way. The former is assistant cashier of the Citizens State bank and the latter is the junior member of the firm of Manke & Son, implement dealers. They expect to be gone several weeks.

FRUIT JOBBERS HOLD SESSION AT LINCOLN

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 10.—More and better fruits at lower prices was the topic for discussion at a meeting of the Nebraska fruit jobbers held in the Lincoln hotel Wednesday. C. N. Palmer, advertising and publicity director of the Western Fruit Jobbers' Association, addressed the meeting, which was attended by representatives of 18 produce houses of the state.

BASEBALL PLAYER IS KILLED BY PITCHED BALL

Bradish, Neb., Aug. 10 (Special).—Leonard Green, of Albion, was almost instantly killed during a ball game here when a pitched ball struck him near the heart. He crumpled to the ground and died in a few moments. The ligaments around his heart were torn loose by the impact.

Yes, From the Ground Up. From United Press.

An American army officer on the national guard rifle range at Peeskill, N. Y., the other day, asked Maj. Gen. H. Haraguchi of the Japanese army if the commissioned personnel of the Nipponese forces were well trained "from the ground up."

The major general answered an hour later, when he accompanied Adjt. Gen. Leslie Kincaid, New York national guard, down a line of Seventh regiment men at practice on the 500-yard range.

The detachment of national guardsmen were prone; it was raining; the firing line was a quagmire. In the center of the line lay a private, mud smeared, and every time he fired a flag waved over the target, informing him his shot had missed the mark. He missed again and again, and the Japanese general smiled.

"May I take the soldier's rifle?" he asked the adjutant general.

The private saluted, handed his rifle to the major general and moved to the rear. Into the muddy hole slid General Haraguchi, resplendent in his parade uniform.

He fired 10 shots. From the pit under the target a soldier telephoned: "Ten straight bull's-eyes. Some shooting, body."

Haraguchi, covered with mud, smiled. "From the ground up, yes."

Perhaps a Niblick. From the Kansas City Star.

We hear that the Washington administration is going to use Roosevelt's big stick. Is it sure it can swing it?

Good Ruler Wanted. From Good Hardware.

Mr. Blimp—Remember, the hand that rocks the cradle rules the world. Don't forget that, dear.

INSURANCE AGENT TO BE LICENSED

Commissioner Young of Nebraska Will Ask Legislature To Make Some New Regulations.

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 14 (Special).—State Insurance Commissioner Young is going to recommend to the state legislature that it pass an agent's qualification law, under which life, fire, casualty and other kinds of insurance agents would have to pass an examination before they were licensed to do business. When he was going through college Mr. Young tried selling life insurance as a side line, and found an insurance agent was lucky if he did not get run off every other farm he visited.

SHORT COURSHIP, AND NOW DIVORCE

Fremont, Neb., Aug. 14 (Special).—The short wooing of a Fremont girl is regretted by her husband, Calvin A. Eaton, of Los Angeles, who has filed suit for divorce, claiming she left him two days after the ceremony. His wife, formerly Marjorie Knapp, daughter of Frank J. Knapp, former president of the Fidelity Trust company, now serving a sentence in the Nebraska penitentiary, married him after six hours' acquaintance, Eaton declares. He asserts they met at a gay party in which three couples participated. Eaton charges she flirted with other men after she was married, and told him she did not love him.

DOG CAUSE OF FATAL ACCIDENT AND DAMAGE SUIT

Ord, Neb., Aug. 14 (Special).—A damage suit will be brought against Frank Hosek by Bert Treffon, as the result of the killing of Treffon's 12-year-old son when the boy's pony became frightened at Hosek's dog. The father immediately went to the Hosek home and killed the dog, and is also said to have threatened Hosek. Hosek issued a complaint against Treffon, but dismissed it when he learned the boy was dead.

STOVE EXPLODES, HER BURNS FATAL

Wife of Banker at Brewster, Minn., Dies in Worthington Hospital.

Worthington, Minn., Aug. 12 (Special).—Mrs. Frank D. Mitchell, wife of the cashier of the state bank of Brewster, Minn., died at a hospital here Friday morning from burns received at her home Thursday, when a gasoline stove exploded. The cause of the explosion is unknown, as Mrs. Mitchell was home alone at the time. After the explosion, she carried the stove out of the house in an effort to save the home, and then rolled herself in a blanket to extinguish the flames. Her hands, breast and upper part of the legs were deeply burned, while her face was also seared. Besides her husband, she is survived by three children, two sons, one a year and a half old and the other 6 and a daughter of 10.

TWO DEAD, ONE DYING IN CHURCH BATTLE

Alleged Attempt to Break Up Meeting Leads to Bloodshed in 'Wilds' of Kentucky.

Somerset, Ky., Aug. 12 (A. P.).—Two men are dead and another is believed to be dying in a hospital here as the result of a gun fight last night at the close of a religious service at Mount Victoria, about 25 miles east of here. The dead are Abe Nolen, lay pastor of the Mount Victoria church, and Ernest Dykes, farmer, Ellis Richardson, a farmer, was wounded.

Officers were told today that Dykes and Richardson with several other young men, went to church service, which was being conducted by Nolen, with the avowed intention of breaking up the meeting. They were unsuccessful, however, and departed. One member of the congregation fearing trouble obtained a shotgun and gave it to the pastor. On his way home Nolen, it is reported, met the two men who are alleged to have fired on him. Nolen returned the fire. The pastor, who recently came here, had been active against moonshiners.

BODY IS IDENTIFIED.

Washington, Aug. 12 (A. P.).—The body of a man found Thursday just across the Maryland line with a rope around the neck and a score of knife wounds was identified Friday as Bernard A. McBride, formerly of Muskogee, Okla. Thus far nothing has developed to indicate the cause of the murder.

FIND OIL PROSPECT IN WELL AT NELIGH, NEB.

Neligh, Neb., Aug. 12 (Special).—Men digging a well on the outskirts of the city struck oil which they believed is a rich deposit. Dr. Condra, of Lincoln, state geologist, has been invited to come here to make an investigation. The Neligh Chamber of Commerce is also making an investigation.

TOPEKA STRIKERS ADMIT READINESS FOR LAWLESSNESS

Universal Service. Topeka, Kan., Aug. 15.—Threats that striking shopmen will no longer recognize the rights of state, city and county law enforcement officers are contained in an official resolution adopted here Monday night by the executive committee of the striking shopmen crafts. The resolution says: "We have tried to be peaceful and tried to keep down violence but we no longer can or will attempt to do these things." Charging that the Santa Fe controls the city, state and county officers, the resolution further states that if "any unfriendly act is committed toward any striking shopmen, we will take what action we deem necessary into our own hands."

ALLIED PARLEY ENDS IN FAILURE

League to Investigate Austria as She Declares She'll Collapse Unless Given \$80,000,000 Credit.

Universal Service. Special Cable Dispatch. London, Aug. 15.—Hopelessly deadlocked on the question of Germany's ability to continue reparations payment, the London conference broke up Monday without achieving any result.

The delegations return to their respective countries Tuesday with the understanding that the problem be referred back to the reparations commission which will decide the date and period for further moratorium for Germany.

Monday night it is not believed in official quarters that France will undertake any independent action against Germany.

The final sessions of the conference were held Monday morning and evening, Lloyd George and Poincare continuing the duel they began at the opening meeting a week ago. The French premier insisted that he could not agree to any extension of the moratorium unless further guarantees were obtained from Germany, and Lloyd George was equally emphatic that none of the major proposals advanced by Poincare was capable of producing more money for the allies.

The final break came on the French proposal that the allies administer the Ruhr basin coal mines and state forests.

"We can only agree to disagree," was the British premier's despairing remark at the close of the conference.

The British understanding is that the reparations commission will now deal with the indemnity and moratorium questions, but Poincare made it clear that he could not agree to even that until he consulted his cabinet.

Before dispersing the premiers entrusted the League of Nations with a Austria, the Austrian government having advised them that the collapse of the country is inevitable unless further credit of \$80,000,000 is advanced.

The premiers warned the League to bear in mind that no European nation is capable of making further monetary advances.

EVAN FILES TO MAKE WHITNEY PAY MILLION

Universal Service. Saratoga Springs, N. Y., Aug. 15.—Cornelius Vanderbilt Whitney, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Payne Whitney, was named defendant in the complaint covering a \$1,000,000 breach of promise suit filed Monday with the county clerk in Ballston Spa by counsel for Evan Burrows Fontaine, interpretive dancer.

According to the complaint, which the defendant's attorney has to date refused to accept, young Whitney made repeated offers of marriage to Miss Fontaine. The final promise was made October 28, 1920, the complaint further alleges, and the date fixed as October 30.

However, the plaintiff charges, the marriage was not performed, although Miss Fontaine was and is still willing to marry Whitney.

Definite mention of the place where the courtship took place is not made, but in the complaint Miss Fontaine's counsel asserts Whitney made several offers of marriage during weekend parties in New Haven, while the young man was a student at Yale.

The complaint also alleges that Miss Fontaine became the mother of a son whose father is young Whitney.

D'ANNUNZIO SLIGHTLY HURT.

Rome, Aug. 15.—Injuries sustained by Gabriel d'Annunzio, Italy's foremost poet and soldier, in an accident Monday are not serious. D'Annunzio was reported to have suffered painful injuries in a fall in his garden.

RAIL UNIONS SEEK PEACE WITH ROADS

Harding Approves Decision Strikers Take at Meeting With Him to Call Parley, But Will Take No Part in It.

Universal Service. Washington, Aug. 15.—First independent conferences of unions and the railroads started here Monday night between Daniel Willard of the Baltimore & Ohio and Warren S. Stons, chief of the engineers.

Mr. Stone took up with President Willard the question of getting certain executives to come into an independent joint conference to end the strike. Neither party would make an announcement, but it is understood that Mr. Willard favored the plan.

Universal Service. New York, Aug. 15.—Coinciding with the probability of a strike of 75,000 maintenance of way men on eastern railroads entering New York, the Metropolitan district committee on behalf of the 23,000 striking shopmen in this vicinity Monday night wired B. M. Jewell, head of the railway department of the American Federation of Labor that they were flatly opposed to a settlement on the basis contained in the executive's reply to the president. The situation, as a result is considered the most grave since the inception of the strike with the probability of a "fight to the finish" unless unexpected peace action is taken in Washington.

Universal Service. Chicago, Aug. 15.—A strike of all railroad workers of the country will develop unless a speedy settlement of the shopmen's strike is reached, according to transportation observers here. No important change in the situation throughout the country is expected until peace conferences have been finally concluded in Washington.

However, the spontaneous walkout of engineers and firemen was believed checked Monday night. Until the Washington negotiations break down completely it was believed most of the men would stick to their posts. Because of the danger of engineers deserting their posts the Chicago & Northwestern railroad placed an embargo on shipments of livestock and perishable freight on the Iowa division of that road, according to a dispatch from Boone, Ia.

Universal Service. Washington, Aug. 15.—At a conference with President Harding that lasted until after dark Monday night the railroad unions decided to call another conference with railroad executives in an effort to reach an independent settlement of the shop strike.

The call is to be issued immediately to a group of rail executives known to be liberal. Among them the minority have already offered acceptable concessions to the shopmen. The decision of this conference is to be used as an opening wedge with the entire body of executives, the unions plan.

President Harding, it was said, approved the new move of the railroad brotherhoods, but will take no part in the deliberations. He feels that if anything can be accomplished now it can be done with the opposing factions facing each other across the table and not through mediation.

This Anti-Climax

This was the anti-climax to the situation that until late Monday was regarded as hopeless and even now rail and union officials are not certain it will be successful. Spokesmen for the unions declared they had not sounded out the executives and could see nothing to have weight. Rail officials declared the "incident is closed" unless the unions come to their way of seeing things.

"We are trying to get someone to talk to us in a way that will be helpful," declared L. E. Sheppard, speaking for the brotherhoods. "We hope that we will be able to get some railroad executives in conference that are not so tenacious on some questions as others are. We will decide in the morning exactly what is to be done in this direction."

"As long as we are mediating the case the executives will do nothing. The labor board takes the position that men on strike are not entitled to consideration at the hands of the board. We contend that when men go on strike their rights are only suspended. This strike is a lawful one."

Sheppard stressed the point that it is not the intention of the brotherhoods at this time to have an issue of unsafe equipment. Instructions have been sent to all of the men to make an honest effort to run the trains.

ALAN BROOKS FINED \$5 FOR HITTING "BOBBY"

Universal Service. Special Cable Dispatch. London, Aug. 15.—Alan Brooks, Broadway actor who is producing "The Broken Wing" here, was fined \$5 in a London police court Monday for assaulting a policeman. Brooks was on his way home at 2 o'clock Monday morning with a bundle under his arm. He was stopped by a policeman, and after an altercation he hit the "bobby" in the jaw.