

# BANDITS KILL 3, BLAST MAIL CAR

## BABE RUTH IS HERO OF SECOND GAME

### Express Is Dynamited in Tunnel

#### Engineer, Fireman and Brake-man Shot—Unable to Ascertain Amount of Loot Taken.

#### Passengers Unharmed

San Francisco, Oct. 11.—Three members of the crew of the Southern Pacific train No. 13, Portland to San Francisco, were shot and killed, and the mail car on the train was blown up by bandits who halted the train as it was entering a tunnel near the Oregon-California line today. A posse from Yreka, Cal., under Sheriff Calkins of Siskiyou county, is in pursuit of the bandits. The train is the southbound San Francisco express.

The train came to a jarring stop after the locomotive and mail car had entered the tunnel. An explosion was then heard. Conductor Marratt and brakeman C. O. Johnson, proceeded to the head of the train, where they encountered the bandits.

Johnson was shot through the chest and died within a few minutes. The bandits fled as the conductor advanced. He continued his search and found the body of Engineer S. L. Bates on the ground on one side of the engine with a bullet through his head. On the other side he found the body of Fireman Seng, also with a bullet through his head.

The mail car was wrecked and all of the windows in the nearest chair car were shattered. No passengers were hurt and, as far as is known, there was no looting.

The condition of the mail car prevented an immediate survey to determine if any mail matter or money had been stolen.

The mail car was set on fire by the explosion, but was quickly extinguished. Calls for help were sent to Ashland, Ore., 17 miles to the north, to Yreka and to other points. A wrecking crew cleared the track a few hours after the holdup.

### Brute Force Triumphs Over Brains

#### Four Home Runs Feature World Series Ball Game—Pennock Pitches Masterly Ball for Americans.

#### Score: Yanks 4, Giants 2

By DAMON RUNYON.  
By Universal Service.

Polo Grounds, New York, Oct. 11.—It has been written that the world series of 1923 is a struggle between brute force and a master mind, the first represented by Babe Ruth, huge, ponderous, formidable; the second, by John J. McGraw, pudgy, gray and crafty.

That being true, it must be set down that the score of the second game at the Polo grounds this afternoon was:

Brute force, 4.  
Master mind, 2.  
Socrates, Aristotle and all the heavy thinkers of the ages could not have stopped Ruth today.

#### Two Home Runs.

The mighty hitter of the New York Yanks slugged the American leaguers to victory over the Giants with two home runs, thus making the margin of the Yankee triumph.

McGraw, sitting back in the shadow of the Yanks' bench, thinking, thinking, thinking, could not produce a single thought to offset the fierce lunges of this big fellow in the fourth and fifth innings.

Once Ruth smashed the ball into the upper tier of the rightfield stand. Again, he drove it into the lower tier. Twice he got his base on balls, and in his fifth and final appearance at bat, he brought a roar from the 45,000 people packed in the green stands, by hitting a ball so hard and so high that it was almost lost in the mist above the field before it settled in Casey Stengel's glove.

Brute force was loose in that game. Nothing could hold it. Ruth was Ruth, mammoth, majestic. The thinkers on the Giant bench seemed to divide into nothing more important, nothing more impressive than a short, fat old gentleman.

#### First Win in Nine Games.

It was the first game the Yanks have won from the Giants in nine games played—since they began meeting in the world series, which was in 1921. It was their first victory after eight consecutive defeats, with a tie game in between.

It was the first time in this long stretch that brute force really became unfettered, which is surely not an impressive record for brute force.

It was a game of home runs. Aaron Ward, the Arkansas man, who plays second for the Yanks, made "Litch" Meusel of the Giants made another.

These home runs were both hit into the left field stand. They were perhaps as important in their way as Ruth's home runs, but they did not evoke the same cheering.

That is the curious thing about Ruth's home runs—they are always the ones that seem to count the most. A spidery young man named Herbert Pennock, a young man with thin arms and thin legs, and not much (Turn to Page Ten, Column Five.)

#### Columbus Fair Exhibits Placed in Store Windows

Columbus, Neb., Oct. 11.—I. E. Gates, Howard Clarke and George Drimml, all of Columbus, have been appointed to act as judges for live stock and agricultural products at the three-day county fair opening here Monday. Judges to pass on kitchen and needlework exhibits offered by the women will be appointed by the Columbus Business Women's club.

The phase of the fair that marks it as unusual is the fact that the show windows of 45 downtown stores will be devoted to the exhibits and used as booths. Each merchant has charge of the exhibits in his windows and will give prizes for the product he shows. Only one class of exhibits will be placed in every window.

Several livestock entries of hogs have already been made. In addition there will be exhibits of every type of agricultural product and livestock raised in the county, as well as needlework, art, drawing, baking and educational exhibits. Special entertainment features will mark the last day of the fair.

#### Polio Victim Dies

Columbus, Neb., Oct. 11.—Infantile paralysis claimed its first victim here, with the death of Marguerite Phelps, 3-year-old daughter of Mrs. Mat Phelps.

### Cattle Cleaned Up in Buffalo County

Cattle are being shipped out of Buffalo county at a rapid pace, according to F. C. Mortenson of Ravenna, Neb., who was on the Omaha market with a load of stock. He said the most of them had been shipped out in the last few weeks.

"I do not expect feeding operations to be very heavy in my neighborhood," said Mr. Mortenson, "but hay will be a little heavier than last season. Old corn is getting scarce, but the new crop will run heavy, probably from 25 to 35 bushels to the acre."

### School Boy Run Down and Killed

#### Vernon Johnson, Six Years Old, Struck While Crossing Street Near Lathrop School.

#### Driver of Car Arrested

Vernon Johnson, 6-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl J. Johnson, 3808 North Seventeenth street, died at the Swedish Mission hospital at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, just three hours after he was struck by the car of Joe Johnson, 1818 St. Mary avenue, at Twentieth and Lathrop streets.

Little Vernon was on his way to Lathrop school, where he was enrolled in the first grade. With him was his elder sister, Margaret, 8, and a group of playmates. Witnesses declare that, when almost across the street, the little fellow left the group and darted back directly into the path of Johnson's car. The car carried the boy 20 feet before it was brought to a stop.

The small lad, suffering from concussion of the brain and a fractured skull, was rushed to the Swedish mission hospital by Mr. Johnson. The boy died without regaining consciousness.

Johnson was taken from the hospital to the police station, where he was charged with reckless driving. He is held pending a coroner's inquest.

Carl J. Johnson, the lad's father, is a car inspector for the Illinois Central railroad.

Vernon is survived by his father and mother, in addition to a brother, Robert, 10, and a sister, Margaret, 8.

### Ford Silent When Told of Nebraska Support

Lincoln, Oct. 11.—Henry Ford refuses to be brought into the open on the presidential question by a letter from Secretary of State Pool, informing him that his name has been filed in Nebraska by his supporters.

In a reply, received by Mr. Pool today, E. G. Leibold, general secretary for Mr. Ford, acknowledges the letter, and says that his employer was "very much interested in the primary election figures of 1922," which were enclosed in the secretary of state's letter. No reference is made to Mr. Ford's future intentions.

The letter sent by the secretary of state reveals the fact that 1,824 persons signed the petition for Henry Ford, although but 982 of these were allowed, the remainder being thrown out because the signatures were improperly written.

In the 1921 congressional district there were 191 petitioners, 108 in the second, 259 in the third, 114 in the fourth, 122 in the fifth and 189 in the sixth.

### Car Thief at Albion Gets Year in Penitentiary

Albion, Neb., Oct. 11.—One year in the penitentiary was the sentence given Kenneth Wayne, following his plea of guilty to stealing an automobile. Last August he came to Albion, claiming he was soliciting students for the Norfolk Business college.

Frank Sloane loaned him his car to go out to the country to see a prospect. He failed to return, and the authorities were notified. He was arrested at Council Bluffs, where he was caught changing numbers with an Iowa car. He was brought back here, and at a special session of district court, Judge Burton received his plea of guilty.

### Yea: Those That Are Empty Shall Surely be Filled

So says Mrs. Cone of Thirty-first St. Her four apartments were empty until she put a Bee Ad on the job. Now all four are rented.

Use Bee Classified Ads. It's results per dollar that count.

### Rail Unions to Demand Wage Hike

#### Consequence of Granting Pay Boost to Miners That Exceeds Wartime Peak.

#### To Hit Northwest Roads

By MARK SULLIVAN.

Washington, Oct. 11.—The preparation now under way for a formal demand by the railroad brotherhoods for an advance in wages back to the wartime peak, which was the highest in history, is causing more thought in Washington than apparently it is in the rest of the country.

On the economic side the move is deplored as seriously as possible. If granted it means a new upward hitch in the cost of living. If denied, it means, presumably, a strike. Aside from these deplorable economic aspects there is a good deal of understanding sympathy for the railroad men, or at least understanding of the emotions that animate them just now.

As many see it, if the strike comes it will be regarded as a direct consequence of the granting of a 10 per cent increase to the anthracite miners.

The miners were already at their wartime peak. They, practically alone among all classes of the community, had succeeded in retaining all the advances they had got during the war. This unique success was due to the determined aggressiveness of their leader, John L. Lewis.

#### Bring Pressure to Bear.

When the railroad workers saw the anthracite miners retain all their wartime advances and get 10 per cent more, there arose among them a psychology that brought pressure on their own brotherhood leaders to see if they could not do as well as Lewis.

These brotherhood leaders get very large salaries, as large as some city bank presidents, and they must resort to pressure from the men. Up to the time they saw the example of the anthracite miners there was no very strong inclination to demand higher wages among the railroad workers.

But they say that more than half the miners will now be getting higher wages than the railroad workers. And the railroad workers regard themselves as a more deserving class and with specific jurisdiction over these two important matters but without duty or responsibility with respect to the general question of management, although he will remain a member of the board of directors and ex-officio a member of the finance committee.

#### Lozett Visited Here.

Judge Lovett has been in Omaha and through here a number of times. He was guest at a dinner given by President Gray of the Union Pacific two years ago at the Omaha club. The dinner was attended by business men of Omaha and Council Bluffs.

Mr. Lovett plans to leave for California in December and to spend the winter there. President Gray is in New York.

It should be borne in mind that the railroad strike of last year did not come from the brotherhoods but from the shop workers. The "transportation brotherhoods," who are now demanding increases, include the engineers, conductors, firemen, trainmen and switchmen.

The section of country where the railroad strike was most affected by this demand is the northwest. While the railroads in other parts of the country are doing well just now the northwestern railroads, according to Interstate Commerce commission statisticians, are earning less than 4 per cent.

Against this scant margin of net earnings there are now two demands: One from the farmer-labor political party for a reduction in freight rates on grain and some other commodities; and one from the brotherhood leaders for an increase in wages. As between these two it is the better guess that if either wins it will be the brotherhood demand for higher wages.

### Farmers Near Columbus Will Have Power Service

Columbus, Neb., Oct. 11.—By a vote of two to one farmers in a territory immediately north of Columbus, comprising nine sections of land, decided at a special election to incorporate a rural district through the medium of which their farms will be supplied with electric current for light, heat and power by the Columbus Light, Heat and Power company. This will be the first rural electric district in Platte county and the second to be organized in Nebraska under the new state law authorizing the formation of districts, the first being near Wahoo. District bonds of about \$15,000 will be issued to defray the cost of erecting a distribution system.

### Lloyd George to Niagara

Toronto, Ont., Oct. 11.—David Lloyd George and his party boarded their special train today en route to Niagara Falls, which the former premier of Great Britain hopes to visit this afternoon.

### Dog, Weary of Waiting on Mistress, Calls Her by Honking Auto Horn

WYMORE, Neb., Oct. 11.—Mrs. H. A. Greenwood, Wymore pioneer and society woman, keeps a pet English bull dog. His name is Buster, and everywhere Mrs. Greenwood goes, Buster goes along. He has been trained to wait in the sedan, when it is parked anywhere, for the return of his mistress. A few days ago the auto was parked in front of a residence and remained for several hours, while Mrs. Greenwood attended a social function within a number of blocks. Buster got tired of waiting, and having seen his mistress pass a certain button to sound the horn and call some one to whom she had been waiting, he jumped over the front seat, touched the button with his paw and sounded the horn, where upon Mrs. Greenwood came rushing out to ascertain what the trouble was.

### Judge Lovett to Represent U. P. in I. C. C. Cases

#### Resignation of Chairman of Executive Body Accepted—More Work Falls on Gray's Shoulders.

New York, Oct. 12.—Responsibilities of Carl R. Gray as president of the Union Pacific railroad were enlarged yesterday as the board of directors accepted the resignation of Robert S. Lovett, chairman of the executive committee, effective January 1. Mr. Gray was placed in full charge of the operations of the property in the west.

Judge Lovett's action was taken on the advice of his physicians. The office which he vacates is the chief executive post of the company.

"Mr. Lovett has, however, consented to continue his association with the property and in particular to direct the representation of the Union Pacific's interests in railroad consolidation matters and in the valuation of railroad properties upon which the Interstate Commerce commission is now engaged," stated Carl R. Gray.

"To this end, the office of chairman of the board was created, and Mr. Lovett was elected to it yesterday with specific jurisdiction over these two important matters but without duty or responsibility with respect to the general question of management, although he will remain a member of the board of directors and ex-officio a member of the finance committee."

Some time ago the governor did purchase a carload of gasoline out of state funds, through State Purchasing Agent Ferris, but the gasoline is being used by the department of public works. It is understood that should the governor decide to sell gasoline to the public he would have to do so privately, as he sells coal there being no statute to permit the state to enter the filling station business.

It is reported that the governor now has an assistant located here and several field men at the mines who handle the coal that is shipped to the state.

### Denies Knowledge of Plot to Rob Treasury

Lincoln, Oct. 11.—Frank A. Barton, Chicago actor, in the state penitentiary here, who was visited by a couple of postal inspectors recently, denies that he has knowledge of a proposed nation wide plundering to include the treasury at Washington.

Barton was interviewed for an hour or more in connection with the theft of \$40,000 in government bonds from a Chicago bank. He said that Acting Deputy Postmaster Mondell of Omaha and Inspector Jackson talked with him. Barton said he came to Nebraska in April, 1913, and the theft occurred shortly after that time. He said six or seven men had been arrested and the spectators wanted to know of his knowledge of the men.

He is serving in prison here for alleged possession of a forged check.

### Missouri Convict to Face Theft Charge in Nebraska

Red Cloud, Neb., Oct. 11.—Special Agent J. Schmidt of the Burlington left here for Stillwater, Minn., to take into custody Lee Barber, alias Fred Ricks, who is wanted for stealing a shipment of eggs from a box car in the local yards over three years ago. He has been serving a three-year sentence in the Minnesota penitentiary for an offense committed there.

### There's No End to It, Once We Begin Curing Our Economic Ills by Skin Grafting



### Bryan, Not State, Handling Coal

#### Orders Placed With Governor Are Binding Upon Him as Private Citizen.

Lincoln, Oct. 11.—Citizens of Nebraska who are under the impression that the state is selling coal are laboring under a misapprehension. It is Governor Bryan's private business.

Under the statutes the governor has no legal right to undertake a coal business as a state function. Orders for coal are being placed with Governor Bryan for coal being binding upon him as upon any other individual and not upon him as a state official. If there are any profits or losses the state will not share.

It was emphatically declared in the governor's office today that no state supplies and no state officials are being used in the prosecution of the business. Any office expense that incurred is being taken out of a small profit that is being made on the coal to take care of overhead.

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### Beatrice Pair Has 57th Wedding Anniversary

Beatrice, Neb., Oct. 11.—Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Clayton, pioneer residents of Gage county, celebrated their fifty-seventh wedding anniversary at their home in this city, in the presence of their children and other relatives. The couple received a number of presents as remembrances of the occasion. They have 15 great grandchildren and 25 grandchildren. Mr. Clayton was at one time prominent in republican politics in the county, serving as representative and chairman of the county board of supervisors.

### Hiram Johnson Petitions Circulated in Lincoln

Lincoln, Oct. 11.—Petitions to place the name of Hiram Johnson, California senator, on the ballot in Nebraska as candidate for president, have been circulated in Lincoln for about three weeks. John Maher, member of the committee here which drew up the petitions, said today:

### UP AND DOWN AND ROUND ABOUT OMAHA

#### Boarded street car after day's work. Little negro girl in seat ahead intently reading. Interested in knowing what held her close attention and glanced over her shoulder. Surprised to note she was reading "Sonnets from the Portuguese," in 10-cent classic form. Reminded me of Booker Washington's story of little fellow at Tuskegee, who said, "We's a risin', massa."

#### It used to be a dark araway between two tall buildings. Hated to pass it late at night. Excellent place for ghosts to haunt, but knew they didn't although had fears. Now well lighted, with stairway growing increasingly popular. Light furnished by electric sign reading "The Omaha Bee." Stairway leading to Bee business office. Now I know a ghost walks there. Have met it a couple of times recently. Mighty welcome ghost, too. Don't care how big it gets.

#### W. H. Lee of Mitchell in town with consignment of fine steers. Joy to meet him again. Most unusual sort of fellow is Mr. Lee. Said he was satisfied with price received for steers and admitted that he had made a good profit. If I had been on the night desk Mr. Lee would have appeared in front page box. The unusual always make the best reading.

#### Six-State Senator Howell, chewing on some black sugar, he had in his mouth at close of 1917 session. Insisted he was out of politics and then talked it for 10 minutes. Ed couldn't be kept out when the battle opens.

#### Twenty-ninth anniversary of great event comes tomorrow. Never get over wondering how she has been able to stand it through all those years.

#### Guest at hotel where I am stopping taken suddenly ill. Physician called nurse in hurry-up call for nurse. Saw nurse when she came in later. Sick-ness has lost much of his terror.

#### Interested in Tom Dennison's reported determination to leave Omaha and make his home in California. In that event am wondering what some local politicians will do for an excuse for one thing and another. Duke of Argyle maintained scratching posts for his people. Removal of Tom Dennison from our midst means loss of mighty handy kicking post for some politicians.

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#### After a round of window shopping am wondering how a middle-aged, rather portly gray-haired man would look in a state colored, belted overcoat with patch pockets. W. M. M.

#### Basket of pawpaws in fruit store window. To be regretted that the pawpaw doesn't ripen the year round. Sight of them recalled flood of memories of boyhood days in Missouri. Felt a lot better rest of the day.

#### Young business man riding in expensive limousine and getting in his place of business at 10 a. m. Remember when his father rode a bicycle and got down to his job before 8. I'm still walking.

#### Small town stuff in the big city. Fellow just behind me at picture show insists on reading titles out loud. Woman in front insists on humming tunes played by orchestra. Gum parked under chair by former occupant.

#### Collided with George Brophy a few hours ago. George now way up official of Union Pacific. First knew him while he was conductor of a mixed train on the Stromsburg branch. Always accommodating. Would stop train at road crossing to let a friend off, or pick up basket of eggs to take to town for some farm woman. Maybe one reason why he is now way up official.

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### The Weather

For 24 hours ending 7 p. m. October 11.

Highest 53	Lowest 38	Mean 46
Normal 51	Total excess since January 1, 1923	
Relative Humidity Percentage—7 a. m.	88	10 p. m. 74
Moisture in Air in Grains per 100 cubic feet	11	10
Direction and Force of Wind	Variable	Variable
Clouds	2-4	2-4
Barometer	30.1	30.1
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