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COOPER SHOTS SELF OVER GIRL

Labor Pays Tribute to Dead Chief

Endless Stream of Feet Beat Path of Devotion Past Bier of Samuel Gompers on Train.

Heads Bared Everywhere

Aboard Gompers Train En Route to Washington, Vincennes, Ind., Dec. 15.—Footfalls of America's army of labor continued today almost ceaselessly to beat a march of devotion past the bier of Samuel Gompers as the train carrying his body passed across Illinois, Indiana and Ohio on the way to Washington. The new carpet placed beside the coffin showed a badly worn path by nightfall.

Fate of Muscle Shoals Bill to Be Known Today

Vote on Smith Amendment Will Be Recorded at 3. Defeat of Which May Mean Peace.

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MOTORMAN HURT IN CAR ACCIDENT

Bellingham, Wash., Dec. 15.—Motorman S. Garrett was seriously injured and seven or eight passengers suffered less serious injuries, this morning when an interurban car from Bellingham to Mount Vernon, Wash., turned completely over and rolled 100 feet down a steep embankment 10 miles south of this city on the slope of Chucanut mountain when the grade gave away under it for a distance of 250 feet. The slide continued down the mountain side across the state highway and then on to the Great Northern railway tracks, completely blocking them both. The injured were taken to the hospital at Bellingham.

Heavy Cattle Shipments Received in Holt County

O'Neill, Dec. 15.—The annual influx of southern cattle and cattle from the ranges of Wyoming and Montana, to be wintered in the heavy hauling region of southern Holt county, already has begun.

Receiver Unable to Locate Owners of 86 Dividend Checks

Sidney, Dec. 15.—With 86 checks, representing \$2,000 worth of dividends of the defunct First National bank of Sidney, that was closed in 1921 for which he cannot find owners, Harry G. Wilson, receiver, has made final settlement of the accounts and been discharged. After months of futile effort to locate owners of these dividend checks, he has sent them to the comptroller of the currency. The bank finally paid depositors 45 per cent of their deposits.

Will Contest Settled.

Broken Bow, Dec. 15.—The contest against the will of Theodore Frisch, a bachelor, 71, who died about a year ago, was settled out of court last week after two days' work preliminary to trial. By his will Frisch left his estate, valued at \$70,000, to one sister, Mrs. Jules Haumont, and her son. His brother and three nieces contested the will.

German Cabinet Resigns.

Berlin, Dec. 15.—Chancellor Marx today tendered the resignation of his cabinet to President Ebert.

Lawsuit in U. S. Court Spans Pacific Ocean to Far-Away Java Isle

In far-off Java, an island in the Dutch East Indies, is a group waiting patiently the result of a lawsuit now being tried before Federal Judge Woodruff in the United States district court in Omaha.

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