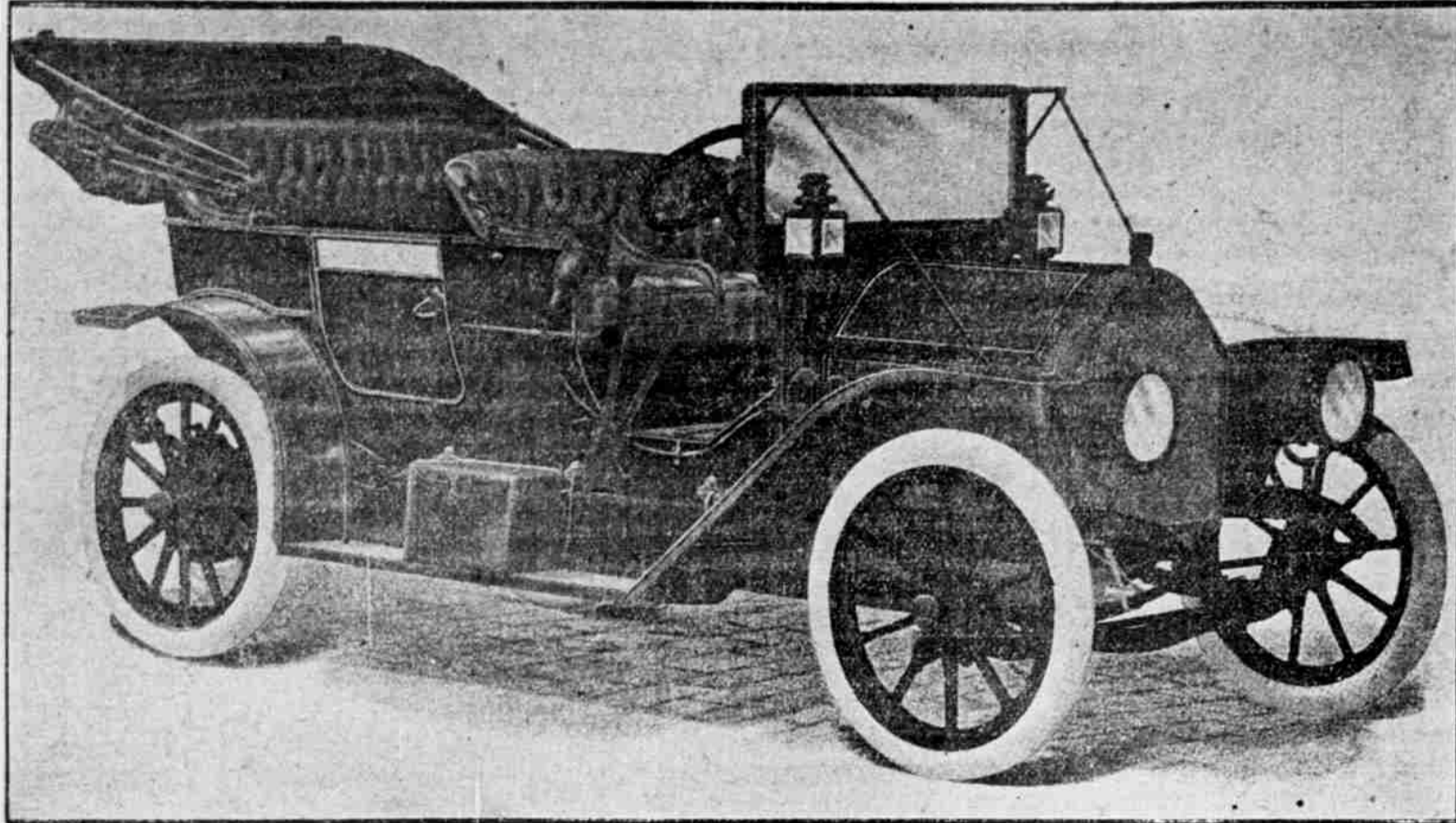


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No. 6..... (Central Time)	10:45 P. M.
16.....	5:30 A. M.
2.....	5:30 A. M.
12 arr. 6:15 p.m.	7:15 A. M.
14.....	9:42 P. M.
10.....	6:30 P. M.

MAIN LINE WEST—DEPART:

No. 1..... (Mountain Time)	1:15 P. M.
3.....	11:42 P. M.
5 arr. 8:30 p.m.	9:30 A. M.
13.....	9:05 A. M.
15.....	12:30 A. M.
9 arr. 9:10 a.m.	8:20 A. M.

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RAILROAD NEWS ITEMS.

Oscar Yarger was home to see part of the races.
 Front end repairs were given the 318, this week.
 Engine 1062 is ready to go into the yard service, after repairs.
 Steam chest and driving brasses on 1091 were repaired, this week.
 The Burlington bridge gang is now looking after bridges in the Curtis neighborhood.
 Fireman Olson of the Sterling division has resigned and gone to work for the Brush sugar factory.
 Joe Walsh and Philip Manley came up from Edison, Saturday, to work on the viaduct at this place.
 Conductor and Mrs. W. A. Cassell arrived home, Sunday night, from their western trip of several weeks.
 This is a time of unusual demand for vacations among engineers. Fourteen engineers and twelve firemen are off on vacation.
 Fireman Frank Humphreys, who has been "farming" down on the Kansas farm for the past few weeks, returned home and to work, Sunday night.
 A Chicago dispatch announces that the Burlington may quit the entire state of Montana and turn over to the Great Northern all its properties in that state.

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Engine 1240 is receiving some new flues, this week.
 Mrs. C. M. Kent and Mrs. E. O. Scott are Hastings visitors, today.
 Fireman "Red" Olson of Curtis has been transferred to Sterling.
 The tank and steam chests on the 143 received attention, this week.
 Engineer Clyde Wickwire is off duty on account of a pair of bad order glms.
 Fireman Jack Molaski has been transferred from Sterling to run out of Curtis.
 Engineers Purinton and Niewig left, last night, for Seattle and the exposition on a visit.
 The Burlington has on its own motion increased the pay of its day laborers to 15 cents an hour.
 John Archibald has been visiting old-time friends in our city, arriving here close of last week.
 Conductor J. C. Davis and Brakeman Phillips retired from the service of the company, this week.
 Engineer Wm. Woods returned, last night, from Montana. He did not enter any government land.
 The 2702 had her ponies off the turntable, this morning, but was easily lined up again without damage.
 Engine 2858 of the monkey motion type is on pit one for usual repairs and the 1950 is over number two having her wheels dropped and brasses overhauled.
 Engineer Charles Sta. arrived home, close of last week, from spending a few weeks in Iowa. His arm and hand are gradually getting in form and he expects soon to resume his engine.
 The announcement is made at Lincoln that the Burlington proposes to largely increase the Burlington shops at Havelock, and that approximately \$1,000,00 will be expended, making the largest shops on the entire system.
 Agent Z. T. Kemper of Alma has resigned. He commenced working for the company in Kemper, Illinois, in 1871, and has since been in the company's employ steadily, serving as agent at Corona, now called Wiggins, and for the past 21 years at Alma. He has filed for the nomination of county clerk on the Republican ticket in Harlan county.

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SHAKESPEARE'S POISONS.

They Are Taken Too Seriously by Some Modern Chemists.
 It is one of the penalties of Shakespeare's position as a great poet that his words are taken seriously.
 A learned doctor in a foreign scientific review has been molding an inquisition into the poisons mentioned by him. He points out that the "juice of cursed hebenon," which Claudius is said to have poured into the ear of Hamlet's father, is incapable of piercing the tympanum of the ear and therefore could not have penetrated the body and poisoned the blood, as the ghost alleges. Again, the narcotic which Friar Laurence administers to Juliet was probably either Datura stramonium or mandragora root. The first is used by the convicts in New Caledonia when they wish to rob their companions, but its effects do not last forty-two hours nor anything like that time. A scientist who experimented on himself with mandragora found that intense sickness is caused on waking, and this did not happen to Juliet. As for the poison which was given to Romeo, it was probably aconite or one of those mixed poisons composed of vegetable alkaloids and promaine, since it was so remarkably rapid in its effects.
 But that is the fault of too serious people. They will take everything seriously. Shakespeare probably knew nothing at all of poisons or of narcotics. He was a poet and not a chemist and might therefore be allowed the usual poetic license.—London Globe.

Cracked Furniture.
 Ugly marks caused by splits or cracked places in furniture are easily filled in with beeswax, and the mark is never detected. In fact, this is how furniture dealers cover such blemishes. First slightly soften the beeswax until it is like putty, then press firmly into the cracks and smooth evenly with a thin knife. Sandpaper over the surrounding wood and work the dust into the beeswax. This gives a wood finish or color, and when the furniture is varnished you will look in vain for the blemishes. It is better than putty, since putty soon dries, crumbles and falls out, while beeswax will remain forever just where it is placed.

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What the Professor Wanted.
 The professor steps into the barber chair and assumes an attitude of pre-meditation.
 "Hair cut, sir?"
 "Please!" The barber cuts his hair.
 "Like a shampoo?"
 "Um—please!" He gets the shampoo.
 "Shave you, sir?"
 "Um—yes!" One shave.
 "Massage?" He nods assent and consequently is massaged. The barber removes the towel; the professor arises and mechanically takes the proffered check.
 "What's this?"
 "Your check, sir."
 "My check?"
 "Certainly, sir—hair cut, shampoo, shave and massage."
 The professor rubs his hand over face and head.
 "Did I get all that?"
 "Surely, sir."
 "It's queer—very queer—most extraordinarily queer! A most wonderful example of philosophical phenomena!"
 "What's queer?" asks the barber in dismay.
 "Why, the working of the human mind. What I came in for was to get my razor honed."—Puck.

What Constitutes Baseball?
 The essential apparatus of baseball is simple and inexpensive. All that is required is a field, a stick, the ball itself and police protection for the umpire. One advantage of the game as played professionally is that those sitting in the grand stand can play the game a great deal better than the eighteen men on the diamond. It is also true that any one of the spectators, even though perched on a telephone pole across the street or looking through a knothole in the fence beyond right field, can judge of the pitcher's skill or the runner's fleetness much more intelligently than the arbiter who stands behind the battery. The great merit of the game is that the people can participate in it. It is not like bridge whist. Its science is not synonymous with silence. The thing to do is to take off your coat and root as long and as loudly as you can, even if you don't know what is happening.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Taking It Out in Trade.
 The proprietor of a certain Turkish bath establishment, seeing a strong looking young man working in a butcher's shop and being impressed by his magnificent muscles, told him to resign and take a rubber's position with him.
 "I'll give you more than you are getting now," he said.
 The young butcher, resigning in good faith, turned up the next morning at the bath house.
 "Well," said the proprietor to him, "I'll put you on at once. What did you get at the butcher's?"
 "Six dollars and my week's meat," returned the young man.
 "What did that amount to?"
 "About \$3."
 "Well," said the proprietor, "I offered you more to come here, didn't I? I'll give you \$6 in money and \$4 worth of baths weekly. That is a dollar more than you got at your old place."

Dutch Engagements.
 A custom among the Dutch is the exchanging of engagement rings, which are narrow bands of plain gold, with the initials of the betrothed and the day of the betrothal engraved on the inside. They are worn on the left hand before and on the right after marriage. Dutch engagements extend over a period of from two to five years. During this time the young woman gives up all amusements in which her fiance does not participate. If he is not of the dancing sort she refrains from that recreation, however much she may desire to engage in it. She never goes in company anywhere if he is not present, and when they go together to a ball no gentleman will ever ask her to dance without formally gaining his permission.—London Scraps.

The Sure Thing.
 A theatrical manager once offered a famous actress \$1,000 a week to make a tour of the world. She insisted on \$1,500. But the manager said \$1,000 was all he could give, and he reminded her of the fabulous jewels that South American millionaires, Russian grand dukes and Indian rajahs are wont to lavish on the ladies of the stage when they are touring.
 "Go home," said the manager; "think the matter over and let me know your decision in the morning."
 In the morning the actress sent the manager this message:
 "Give me my terms and you can have the jewels."

Little Barbara's Complaint.
 Four-year-old Barbara went to church with her two sisters and came home crying.
 "What is the matter, dear?" inquired her mother.
 "He preached a whole sermon—about—M—Mary and Martha," sobbed Barbara, "and—never said—a—word about me."—Lippincott's.

Work Fascinating.
 There is an indescribable fascination about work. The laziest man in town will stand watching with evident enjoyment the labors of a street gang laying pavement.—Fort Worth Record.

Suits the Case.
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